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## President Sees a Limit In Trade Help for Allies

Lowering Expectations for G-7 Summit, Clinton Says 'Attitude' Is Key to Talks

By Paul F. Horvitz

International Herald Tribune
WASHINGTON — President Rill Clinton
said Friday that the United States is already said rindsy that the United States is already fulfilling its obligation to enhance the global economy, and "there is a limit" to what it can do for Europe and Japan economically.

In an interview at the White House, Mr. Clinton also said that a positive vision, personal contact with world leaders and a renewed compact with world leaders and a renewed compact.

differences with the world's smooth out U.S. differences with the world's other wealthy nations when they gather in Tokyo this week.

Seeming to dampen expectations, the president offered no hint that substantive breakthroughs would a coun on global trade talks or nagging bilateral disputes, particularly with Ia-pan and France, when the Group of Seven leaders gather for their annual economic sum-

"A lot of this is a matter of attitude," Mr. Clinton said as he sat in an armchair in front of his Oval Office desk and spoke with seven reporters — one from the International Herald Tribune and one from each of the Group of Seven nations except the United States.

"We have to try to lift our own vision and lift the spirits of our people and realize that when you're in difficulty, the worst thing you can do is to hunker down, to withdraw," the president said, noting rising unemployment and global comornic stagnation. "The tone, the atmospheric has the tone that the form sphere, the ideas that are discussed may be far more important than anything specific that comes out of the communique, it is what direc-tion are we going to take the world."

Mr. Clinton disputed suggestions that the

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United States is failing to provide strong world leadership. If there is a perception among U.S. allies of such a failing, especially in Europe, he said, it is only because Europeans are in the grip of economic insecurity and because he has only been president five months.

"We don't all know each other, and when people don't know each other, but you're trying to get to know each other, there is the temptation to take whatever incident is in the moment and reach some huge encyclopedia of meaning in it, which may or may not be accurate."

He added: "I think a lot of this is just a function of a lot of economic difficulties and new players who don't really know each other thoroughly."

And with a smile and a toss of his head, he added: "I'm just a lot more hopeful about this than some are."

Mr. Clinton appeared calm and rested, if a bit hearse, as he sat for the interview wearing a cheerful "Save the Children" tie that featured smiling young faces in a blaze of gold, red and

He will join his counterparts in the G-7 next week in Tokyo in his first appearance on the world stage since his April meeting in Vancou-ver, Canada, with President Boris N. Yeltsin of Russia. The president said he was looking forward to "serious discussions" with his counter-parts "in a very informal and forthright atmo-

Addressing differences with Japan over open markets, Mr. Clinton said: "I think everyone See CLINTON, Page 13



SUMMIT SECURITY - Police frogmen on a security operation near Tokyo's airport in preparation for the Group of Seven talks.

Serbs and Croats Sever Muslim Routes

### INTERNO U.S. Cuts Growth Forecast — As Jobs Outlook Darkens

WASHINGTON — The U.S. government is reducing its forecast for 1993 economic growth to reflect persistent weakness in the recovery, President Bill Clinton's chief economic adviser

said Friday. short run because of the structural backdrop.

Laura D'Andrea Tyson; chairman of the The anemic growth of 13,000 in payrolls in Council of Economic Advisers, said the admin. Since followed 215,000 jobs created in May. istration was preparing a midyear forceast, to Manufacturing jobs declined for the fourth be released this month, that probably would, straight month in June. Manufacturing hours peg growth in gross defined probably would, straight month in June. Manufacturing hours peg growth in gross defined produce at and overgreathing from their high points, alignly short of 2.5 persons as the straight manufacturing hours to add to an opening new figure had been decided on. Overstretched work force according to The Associated Points. according to The Associated Press.

day that the economy generated only 13,000 said that with the economy growing slowly, the new jobs in June, and Ms. Tyson described this pace of job creation in the first part of the year data as the latest in a series of "disappointing" signs. The economy is "weaker than we had

Still, she said that low interest rates had put businesses and consumers in a position to increase their spending in the next six months. "We're sitting in a good situation for a real

strengthening of growth in the second part of the year," she said. the year, she said.

At the start of the year the administration forecast growth of 3.1 percent, but that was scaled back to 2.8 percent after Congress reject-

ed Mr. Clinton's economic stimulus package.

Ms. Tyson said she had indicated recently that as a result of disappointing reports on the economy for the first three months of the year, the administration probably would revise its overall growth estimate down to about 2.5 per-

"With the numbers for the second quarter, it is possible it may be slightly short of 2.5 per-

She said the new forecast also would revise apward the administration's current estimate that the national unemployment rate would

that the national unemployment rate would exerage 6.9 percent this year.

The Labor Department, in its report Priday, said the jobless rate edged up to 7.0 percent in June from 6.9 percent in May. It had been stuck at 7.0 percent in February, March and April.

The economy grew in the first three months of this year at a rate of just 0.7 percent, down sharply from 4.7 percent in the final quarter of 1992, before Mr. Clinton took office.

Ms. Tyson also said that recent reports showed the Federal Reserve Board's concerns

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over a resurgence of inflation "were unwarrant-ed." Bloomberg Business News reported. Federal Reserve policymakers voted in mid-May to stand ready to raise short-term interest rates if the inflationary surge that broke out earlier in the year continued. Reports for May showed inflation cooling, however, and the Federal Reserve has not lifted rates.

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What the Federal Reserve should recognize now, Ms. Tyson said, is that recent indicators are showing that "the real economy is weak." The Labor Department's report capped a week of unfavorable economic statistics reporting lower factory orders, declining consumer confidence and a manufacturing sector operating at its lowest level since the end of 1991, Lawrence Malkin of the International Herald Tribune reported from New York.

Mr. Chinton said the report was inconclusive. "You can't tell anything from a month's figures anyway," he said. This thing is moving forward in fits and starts and we're doing a pretty good job of creating jobs."

marized the view of many economists, however, declaring: "The economy looks very, very soft and cannot mount any head of steam, and there isn't much they can do about it in Tokyo in the short run because of the structural backdrop.

... David Munro of High Frequency Econom The Labor Department reported earlier Fri- ics, a former White House economic forecaster, almost 900,000 jobs - could not be sus-

> The bond market, whose lower interest rates represent the only domestic stimulus available to Mr. Clinton, responded to the bad job news by raising the price of 30-year Treasury bonds and lowering their interest yields to 6.67 percent, close to their record low in March. The dollar strengthened, but mainly because Ger-See JOBS, Page 10

BELGRADE - Muslim fighters in Bosnia suffered a major setback Friday when Serbian and Croatian forces pressing for more territory encircled one town and overran another, cutting Bosnian army supply routes.

The fall of Zepce underlined the effectiveness of the newly created Serbian-Croatian alliance in central Bosnia. Muslim-led government troops have been able to push back equally lightly armed Croatian soldiers in recent days but were no match for the beavy Serb armor providing cover for Cross infantry'.

UN officials in Vitez, central Bosnia-Herze- proposal for a three-way partition of Bosnia on govina, said that Serbs and Croats had encir-cled Maglai by cutting a selient of territory surrounded by Serbian-held areas that dominate supply routes north of the Bosnian capital,

With Croatian forces reportedly overrunning Zepce, south of Maglaj, Muslim troops coming from the central town of Zenica could go longer reach the Maglaj area.

The encirclement of Maglaj was a major sethack for the Muslims in the battle for territory that has followed a Serbian and Croatian

ited by at least 100,000 people. Six other Muslim enclaves surrounded by Serb forces in eastern Bosnia have been declared UN "safe areas," but this has not stopped attacks on

"The situation bas gone from bad to worse," the UN refugee spokesman, Ron Redmond, said in Geneva. He cited a combination of factors, "any one of which can cause major

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### Sampras and Conrier In Wimbledon Final

Pete Samuas, who routed Boris Becker on Ftiday. Jim Courier beat Stefan Ed-

#### Kiosk **U.S. Ends Opposition**

To Loans for Vietnam WASHINGTON (Renters) — President Bill Clinton said on Friday the United States would no longer object to an international

Monetary Fund loan package for Vietnam, signaling a step toward normalizing U.S. relations with Hanoi. "I have decided to end our opposition to the efforts of other nations to clear Vietnam's arrears in the IMF," Mr. Clinton said, referring to a French-led, Japanese-backed plan to refinance Vietnam's \$140 million debt.

Germany beat Greece, 76-73, in the European basketball semi-finals Friday and will meet Russia for the title Earlier article, Page 17.

Money Report

Gold's chances, German interest rate war rants, hotel stocks, jewelry picks. Pages 14-15.

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### Ukraine Asserts It Owns Warheads on Its Territory

By Michael Dobbs

Washington Post Service

MOSCOW — The Ukrainian parliament raised the stakes Friday in a diplomatic poker game over the former Soviet Union's nuclear arsenal by formally asserting its ownership of all nuclear weapons on Ukrainian territory. The move coincided with fresh indications that Kiev is having second thoughts about rati-

Georgia accuses Moscow of giving military support to a raid by Abkhazian rebels. Page 2.

fying a strategic arms reduction treaty that would require it to surrender some of the 1,600 to 1,800 warheads it now claims to own.

Anatoli Zienko, the Ukrainian foreign minister, was quoted by the Interfax news agency as saying that ratification of the START-I Treaty had been thrown into doubt by the U.S. missile strike against Baghdad. He said the raid raised concern in the Ukraine parliament about Washington's political intentions.

Political analysts said the parliament's action was largely symbolic, since control over the codes that are required to fire the weapons remains in the hands of Moscow.

All the same, the move will almost certainly be viewed with alarm in the United States and Russia, which are both determined to prevent a second nuclear power from arising on the terri-

The assertion of ownership rights to the weapons was contained in a new military doctrine approved by the parliament on a vote of

226 to 15. The document added that Ukraine had no intention of using the weapons or threatening to use them and remained committed to "become a nonnuclear state some time in

The chairman of a parliamentary commis-sion on international affairs, Dmitri Pavlychko, said Ukraine was now in a position to decide on the "future fate" of the weapons. Mr. Pavlychko was the principal author of a 1991 decla-ration asserting that Ukraine would not try to retain the Soviet nuclear weapons on its territo-

Some diplomats believe that Ukraine is trying to exploit the nuclear issue to extract financial compensation and Western security guar-

Most independent experts believe that Ukraine is still several years away from being able to launch the missiles, many of which have traditionally been targeted on the United

While asserting its right to control the missiles, at least for a temporary period. Ukraine is also negotiating with Moscow and Washington on their surrender.

Izvestia reported earlier this week that Ukraine was nearing an agreement with Russia that would place several important missile factories under joint Ukrainian-Russian supervision and compensate Ukraine for any nuclear fuel extracted from dismanuled warheads.

During a visit to Kiev last month, the U.S. secretary of defense. Les Aspin, suggested that Ukraine place all nuclear warheads on its terri-

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## Soft Porn From Software: Computer Churns Out a Salacious Novel

By Steve Lohr

New York Times Service NEW YORK - A decade ago, Scott French bet a few Silicon Valley friends that a computer could write a novel.

Not Toistoy or Fanikner maybe. But a computer, Mr.

French told his friends, could probably be programmed to turn ont a trashy page-turner — the sort of steamy fiction that Jacqueline Susann, author of "Valley of the Dolla,"

A rough draft within a year, he wagered. Twelve months later, Mr. French was wiser and \$300 poorer. But that lost used to crank out. bet faciled an eight-year obsession that has resulted in the publication of "Just This Once," which carries the explan-

array subtitle "A novel written by a computer programmed to think like the world's best-selling author" — eight years ago."

Miss Susann - "as told to Scott French." The story of Mr. French's struggle to produce a computer-generated, Jacqueline Susann-style novel illustrates both the relentless advance of computer technology and its severe limitations. His work with a supercharged Apple Macintosh computer named Hal, using so-called artificial intelligence software, an advanced form of programming that tries to emulate human thought, proved a slow and

often painful collaboration.

As it worked out, he said, he wrote about a quarter of the prose, the computer cranked out about the same amount, and the remainder can only be described as a collaboration of man and machine.

The writing of a scene would amount to a dialogue between Mr. French and his software. The computer would ask questions, he would answer them, and then the machine would spit out the story, a couple of sentences at a "Let's be honest," said Mr. French, 43, an electronic surveillance consultant and computer programmer, "if I'd a misspelling, whatever. Then, based on what went before,

the computer would begin asking more questions that Mr. French would have to answer.

"It doesn't write whole paragraphs at a time," Mr. French said. "You can't get up, walk away, come back and find a completed chapter. It's not that advanced."

Much of the tone and plotting was based on thousands of rules that Mr. French programmed into the computer, formulas he derived by carefully analyzing two of Miss Susann's books, "Valley of the Dolls" and "Once is Not

When two important female characters were to meet, for See NOVEL, Page 3

### Haiti General Accepts Plan For Return Of Aristide

Terms of UN Proposal Would Allow President To End Exile in October

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

NEW YORK - The leader of the military coup in Haiti that removed President Jean-Bertrand Aristide from power agreed on Friday to a United Nations plan to restore democracy

in the country, his spokesman said.

The spokesman, Serge Charles, representing General Raoul Cedras, who led the September 1991 coup, said that except for a few details "our conclusion is that it is acceptable." "We have no problem with any of the points." he added.

A UN mediator. Dante Caputo, has been negotiating with Father Aristide and General Cedras since June 27 on Governors Island, off the southern up of Manhattan, in an effort to pave the way for Father Aristide's return.

Father Aristide's associates bave said they thought the UN plan was positive, but the deposed president did not respond immediately to the announcement. It was also not clear whether the plan would receive full backing

from the powerful Haitian military, which strongly opposed the return of Haiti's first democratically elected president.

"The illegal government has agreed to a set of ten points," said the U.S. secretary of state, Warren M. Christopher, "It's highly desirable that Benident Agricule agrees to these points." that President Aristide agrees to these points. which offer a teasonable solution to the crisis. Sources close to the talks said the UN plan would allow Father Aristide to return to power on Oct, 30, a little more than two years after be

was deposed by the military.

It also calls for a reshuffling of the military, including the resignation of some of its high command, amnesty for coup leaders and possibly the resignation of the hard-line Port-au-Prince police chief. Joseph Michel François, Amnesty would also be granted to soldiers involved in the coup, a senior UN official said.
General Cedras had been insisting on retaining a role for the military and the soldiers.

ing a role for the military, at least during a transition period. He finally agreed, however, that he would step down.

"We believe it would be a good agreement, not only for the parties involved, but for the

Haitian people who have been waiting patiently for so long," Mr. Charles said.

The acceptance of the proposal by General Cedras puts pressure on the Aristide camp, which still has reservations about the plan. The first step would be for Father Aristide to

name a prime minister to take over until his return. This would be followed by a political dialogue between Father Aristide and the parties represented in the parliament on ratifying the prime minister's nomination. Such a dia logue might be beld in Washington.

Once the prime minister is ratified by the parliament, the UN Security Council would suspend its oil and arms embargo on Haiti, which has been in effect since June 23.

The White House backed up Mr. Caputo's proposal with an announcement that it was resuming aid to Haiti.

During the talks on Governors Island, Mr. Caputo has shuttled between the Cedras and Aristide camps, Father Aristide and General Cedras have not negotiated face to face. A UN spokesman said the outstanding problems were indeed minor and that Mr. Charles's reservations were not a cover-up for major obstacles.

The military has ruled Haiti with a firm. some say ruthless, hand since it took power in the coup 21 months ago. Hundreds were killed during pro-Aristide protests and human rights groups say repression has continued even while

the talks were under way.

Father Aristide, a populist Roman Catholic priest and the country's first democratically elected president, was in office only seven months before he was overthrown.

(Reuters, AP, AFP)

### Negotiators Set April 27 Vote In South Africa

By Paul Taylor

Washington Post Service
JOHANNESBURG - South Africa on Friday set April 27 as the date for the first election in its history in which blacks as well as whites

The date was ratified at a contentious meeting of a multiparty negotiating forum here just bours before President Frederik W. de Klerk and the African National Congress president, Nelson Mandela, held back-to-back meetings in Washington with President Bill Clinton. Mr. Mandela, who turns 75 this month and

spent more than a third of his life in prison

opposing the apartheid system of legislated racial oppression, is the odds-on favorite to be cleated president of a democratic South Africa. next April. He is in the United States in part to drum up foreign investment and international develop-

ment aid for his country's economy, where

unemployment in the formal job market is 40 The April 27 election will be for a 400member constituent assembly that will write a new constitution and also serve as a parliament

for a period of up to five years. As part of a grand compromise struck earlier unis year between Mr. de Klerk's white minority government and the ANC-led black liberation movement, the executive branch of that first government will be a coalition, with a cabinet made up on a proportional basis of all parties that receive more than 5 percent of the popular

The incumbent National Party, which has been in power continuously for the past 45 See VOTE, Page 5

# thousands on the run. Major Jose

### U.S.-Russian Ties: Not Always Smooth Despite End of the Cold War, **Moscow Still Has Its Priorities**

By Daniel Williams WASHINGTON - In April, after the Serbs dismissed a peace plan

for Bosnia-Herzegovina, a senior U.S. envoy, Strobe Talbott, rushed to Moscow for a second try at get-ting Russia 10 back President Bill Clinton's plan for military action in

Foreign Minister Andrei V. Kozyrev had said that if the Serbs did oot sign the peace plan, it would be "hell" for them, implying that Russia might rethink its earlier rejec-

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tion of the Clinton plan. But rather than hell for the Serbs, it was limbo for Mr. Talbott. Mr. Kozyrev repeated that Russia would oot support the U.S. proposal.

The rejection represented one of several recent rifts in U.S.-Russian relations, even as Mr. Clinton has made support for President Boris N. Yeltsio a prime foreign-policy objective. Mr. Clinton has in-creased bilateral assistance to Russia, urged reluctant allies to give more aid and pressured international lending groups to relax borrowing restrictions to ease Russia's shift to a market economy.

But a friendly face has not oecessarily deterred Russia from foreign-policy pursuits that diverge from U.S. interests. After a period in which Mr. Yeltsin, eager to court the West, seemed to brush aside old preoccupations, recently he has hewed to traditional Russian concerns about regional hegemony and international standing, sometimes at the expense of U.S. interests.

Three receot aspects of Russian policy bave clashed with U.S. goals: a protective attitude toward Bosnia's Serbs, delayed withdrawal of troops from the Baltic states,

### **UN Chief** Warns on **Monitors**

By Julia Preston Washington Post Service UNITED NATIONS, New

York — Secretary-General Butros Butros Gbali bas warned the Security Council that its proposal to provide personnel to monitor the border between Bosnia and Serbcontrolled Yugoslavia is "unrealistic," making it unlikely that such monitors will be de-

In a report Thursday, Mr. Butros Ghali said it would take at least 10,500 UN troops and civilians to keep an effecriver traffic to areas of Bosnia held by Serbian nationalists. This traffic has been the chief source of logistical support for Serbian militia forces in Bosnia's three-sided factional war. He bluotly advised the council that the worldwide resources for additional peace-

keeping troops are increasing-ly stretched," thus making the monitoring idea unfeasible. He also noted that Yugoslav leaders who last spring seemed open to the prospect of foreign border monitors on their territory oow are strongly op-

The border monitoring proposal was a key element in a "joiot action program" to con-tain Bosnia's Serb-Muslim-Croat conflict that was agreed to in May by the United States, Britain. France, Spain and Russia and then adopted in modified form by the Secu-

#### aimed at resolving a dispute be-tween Russia and Ukraine over Some of these disputes could jeopardize Mr. Clinton's efforts to aid Russia. Countries that export banned missiles are ineligible for U.S. assistance under the Freedom

Support Act, the basis for much American aid. Nor can Russia re-ceive U.S. aid if Mr. Clinton determines that the pace of withdrawal of thousands of Russian troops from the Baltics is too slow.

Administration officials play down the significance of the dis-putes, describing them as differences between friends, not enemies. There are inevitable strains at the margins." Secretary of State
Warren M. Christopher said in an
interview Thursday. "I would emphasize, how different is the rela-

tionship from the Cold War period. how useful and satisfying it is to deal with that great power from the same side of the table." Mr. Clinton is scheduled to meet

Mr. Yeltsin in Tokyo next week at the end of the Group of Seven meeting of industrialized democracies. The G-7 countries plan to present the Russian leader with another aid package to bolster Russian economic reforms.

U.S. officials worry particularly about Russian sales of missiles abroad. Prime Minister Viktor S. Chernomyrdin last week postponed a visit to Washington because the United States objected to a sale of Russian rocket engines to India as a violation of an international accord limiting the spread of missile technology.

Moscow pleaded economic hardip and a oced to maintain oational dignity and business credibility. Canceling any part of the sale "would mean Russian subordination to America" on such issues, a Foreign Ministry official told Rus-

sia's Interfax press service. Washington officials countered that to excuse Russia would encourage prohibited arms sales from other major suppliers, especially China. While delicate, the talks with Russia have yet to reach a crisis, State Department officials

Russia has been rattling its Bal-tic neighbors with harsh words about alleged mistreatment of Russians within their borders. Last week, in terms a State Department official deemed ominous, Mr. Yell-sin accused Estonia of practicing apartheid against ethnic Russians. Shortly afterward, Russia's staterun gas company cut off supplies of natural gas to the small republic. U.S. officials fear ethnic tension

might provide the pretext for Russia to keep troops in the Baltics, in conflict with a withdrawal pledge. On the issue of Bosnia, U.S. offi-cials played down differences with Russia, noting that such longtime allies as France and Britain also

opposed U.S. policy. But on the question of Ukraine and the former Soviet nuclear weapons it still holds, Washington has not appreciated Moscow's in-

Two weeks ago, the Russian de-fense minister, General Pavel S. Grachev, took issue with a plan put forward by Defense Secretary Les Aspin for keeping nuclear weapons out of the hands of the Ukrainian government. The plan calls for the weapons to be put under international supervision before being transferred to Russia for disman-

Ukrainian officials endorsed the idea in principle but General Gra-chev took a hard-line position that the warheads should be turned over to Russia right away. A senior U.S. official told reporters his stance was "counterproductive." Washington has received no word of any

### **BOSNIA:** Major Muslim Setback

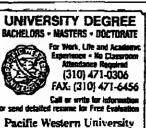
#### problems." Among key concerns.

he said, are a new attempt by Bos-nian Serbs to tax relief convoys. Another is Serbian roadblocks on deliveries of critically needed fuel and food in Sarajevo.
"There's an escalation in fight-

ing." he said. "There's an escalation in the oumber of attacks and harassment on bumanitarian convoys. There's little prospect of any political solution in the near fu-

Other concerns include European countries' "closing their borders to people fleeing the fighting io former Yugoslavia." be said. The outburst of fighting left

Galegos, a UN spokesman in Sarajevo, said about 10,000 refugees were trying to flee southward. At the outset of the 16-month-old war, Bosnian Croatians and government troops jointly fought



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Serbs, who rebelled over Bosnia's declaration of independence from

Yugoslavia. In another development, Yugo-slavia, protesting against its continued suspension from the Confer-ence on Security and Cooperation in Europe, refused to extend the mandate of the conference's human rights observer missions. Margaret Savovic, the Yugoslav

federal minister for human and mioority rights, told the conference that renewal of the mandate was closely connected with Yugoslavia's full membership of this international organization."

The conference suspended Yu-goslavia a year ago for its support of the Bosnian Serbs. The conference's envoy. Tore Boghe, said the ending of the ob-server mandate would affect 20 members of the conference's inter-

national staff in Belgrade and the Kosovo, Sandjak and Vojvodina regions of Serbia. Sandjak and Vojvodina have significant Muslim and ethnic Hungarian populations. In Kosovo, Serbia's heavily policed southern province, Serbs are outnumbered nine to one by ethnic Albanians

seeking autonomy. (Renters, AP)

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Italian troops carrying a wounded comrade to a belicopter Friday after they came under fire during a search for weapons in Mogadishu.

### 3 Italian Troops Die in Somali Ambush

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

MOGADISHU, Somalia — Three Italian soldiers were killed and 10 wounded Friday in heavy fighting in the streets of Mogadishu. Italy's national news agency ANSA said a lieutenant and two sergeants died as Somali snipers ambushed the rear of an Italian armored column searching for arms in the north-ern suburbs of Mogadishu.

It was the first time the Italian military contingent had suffered fatalities in the fighting between Sornali militiamen and UN forces in Mogadishu that began with ambushes on June 5 in which 24 Pakistani soldiers were killed.

A UN military spokesman, Major David Stockwell, said about 300 Italian soldiers had searched a compound suspected of being a weapons site, and encountered a roadblock when they tried to leave the zone controlled by forces of Mohammed Farrah Aidid.

Somalis at the barricade threw rocks at the proops before opening fire, he said. "The rocks turned into small-arms fire, and that turned into machine-gun and rocket-pro-

pelled grenades," Major Stockwell said. American Cobra attack helicopters were called in, and fired 20mm cannons at gunmen,

Italian helicopters and tanks with 90mm guns also were used to disperse groups of snip-

**Students** 

Rise Up to

**Bar Road** 

In China

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leachers at a college in Xian, in

northern China, staged on-

campus marches and blockad-

ed the campus gate in an effort to keep a highway from being

built through the school

grounds, sources said Friday.

The marches tonk place last

week at Xian University of

Electronic Science and Tech-

nology, called Xidian for short. Hundreds of students

and professors wore T-shirts

emblazoned "Defend Xidian"

and blocked the campus gate

in shifts to keep road crews from tearing it down, accord-

Small-scale unrest has oc-

curred at universities since the

1989 student-led democracy

movement was crusbed near

Tiananmen Square. The pro-

test io Xian, capital of Shaanxi

Province, was the first known

large-scale incident, although

unlike the 1989 protests it was

The dispute appears to have

deots and teachers prevented

workers from beginning con-struction, officials said. On the

same day, more than a dozen

students and teachers went to

the city government to de-mand a dialogue.

The situation remained

ense until late last month.

when the city government

greed, under pressure from

The construction project is part of a ring road being built

in Xian. It will stand just a few

meters from one of the univer-

sity's main lecture halls and is

expected to greatly increase air

The university is one of five

in China overseen directly by

the Electronics Industry Min-

istry. It bas about 7,000 full-

The university president.

Liang Changhong, who took a

leading role in opposing the

ring road's location, declined to provide details. He would

only say, "Mediation is still going on."

The official press has been

ordered not to report on the

Xidian protests. (AP, AFP)

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BELJING - Students and

ers, who kept troops and journalists pinned

down for hours. For nearly two weeks, UN troops have been searching for weapons at sites suspected of being bases for General Aidid's forces. The searches often result in clashes. Earlier this week, two Pakistani soldiers were killed by

sniper fire during a weapons search.

The deaths of the Italians on Friday were a setback for the Italian government, which has deployed 2,600 soldiers in its former colony and faces a powerful pacifist lobby highly critical of what it calls the United Nation's strong-arm

Italian ground troops engaged in combat for the first time since World War II last month when they joined U.S. and French forces in an unsuccessful search for General Aidid.

The Italian government issued a statement saying that Rome would insist that the United Nations seek a peaceful solution to the prob-Transport Minister Raffaele Costa spoke of

the danger of the "Vietnamization of Somalia at the expense of the Italian taxpayer."
(Reuters, AP)

**■** German Role Confirmed

The lower bouse of the German parliament overwhelmingly confirmed on Friday the de-ployment of German troops in Somalia, a move that also opened the way to launching the next stage of the six-week-old operation, Agence

France-Presse reported from Bonn.
On a 337-to-185 vote, with 13 abstentions the Bundestag followed through on a June 24 decision by the Federal Constitutional Court on, which was asked to rule on the legality of

The court said the troops could stay in Soma-lia, provided the mission was reconfirmed by the Bundestag. The ruling is temporary, re-maining in force until the court hands down a

permanent decision.
Foreign Minister Klaus Kinkel and Defense
Minister Volker Rühe told parliament Friday
that the mission was purely humanitarian, and that to cancel it would do irreparable harm to

the effort to pacify Somalia.

The opposition Social Democratic Party, which filed suit at the court, contended that the deployment amounted to a violation of the constitution. The party maintains that Germany is giving logistical support to a military operation by Boun's allies.

About 260 German troops are in Somalia,

and about 1,500 more are to be deployed there vithin the next two months.

The next phase of the operation is to begin this weekend, with the shipping of 300 vehicles and 65 containers with generators and other

cow of continuing to harbor "imperialist designs," and using its

military power to defend leaders

the Kremlin against local insur-

President Boris N. Yeltsin has

denied that Moscow has any inten-

tion of interfering in the internal

affairs of the former Soviet repub-

lics. At the same time, however, Russian officials continue to assert

a security interest in a part of the

world they frequently refer to as

Mr. Yeltsin and Mr. Shevard-

nadze have agreed on several cease-fires in Abkhazia. All attempts to

resolve the crisis by mediation have

failed, however, and several hun-dred people have been killed in the

The Abkhazian rebels say that

Georgian hands. They also con-

firmed that they had begun an artil-lery barrage against Sukhumi.

near abroad.

who are believed to be tre

### WORLD BRIEFS

#### Muslims in Turkey Kill 40 Leftists

ANKARA (AP) — At least 40 people were killed and 145 injured when Muslim fundamentalists set fire to a hotel where leftist writers and

intellectuals were staying, news reports said.

The victims mostly died of smoke inhalation in the blaze in the central city of Sivas, according to news reports. The fundamentalists' main target was the translator of Salman Rushdie's "The Satanic Verses."

The lefusts were staying at the Hotel Madimak to attend festivities in

honor of a 16th century poet hanged for defying Turkey's Ottoman rulers.

The fundamentalists, emerging from several mosques after Friday prayers, burst through police barricades and attacked the hotel, angered by the leftists' alleged atheism, witnesses said.

#### Exam Finds Pope in 'Fantastic Shape'

ROME (Renters) — Pope John Paul II on Friday underwent an 80 minute check-up at a Rome hospital, a follow-up to his surgery a year ago. Both the Vatican and his doctors said the results had revealed no

The 73-year-old Pope smiled and waved to onlookers as he left the hospital to return to the Vatican. "He is not only well, he is in fantastic shape," said Dr. Francesco Crucitti, a member of the Pope's team of surgeons. "This was a routine exam. We didn't find a thing." The Vatican said the Pontiff would resume his normal working schedule immediately and would leave on a planned mountain holiday on Wednesday.

#### 126 Die as Shrine Sinks Near Manila

BOCAUE, Philippines (AF) — At least 126 people died when a three-story floating shrine packed with himdreds of worshipers, mostly girls and elderly women, capsized Friday, the police said.

They said the accident occurred in Bocaue, about 30 kilometers (20 miles) north of Mamla. Townspeople staged the floating procession as part of a nine-day religious festival, which ends Sunday.

Those aboard the shrine — made of three barges with a three-tiered altar and crucifix — were singing and praying when the overloaded craft; suddenly tilted. Those aboard panicked and fell into the Bocaue River. So Manila television station reported that about 500 people were believed to Manila television station reported that about 500 people were believed to have been on the shrine and only about 200 had been confirmed safe.

#### González Gets Catalan Party Backing

MADRID (Reuters) - Prime Minister Felipe González looks certain to win a crucial vote of confidence in parliament next week after the to win a crucial vote of confidence in parliament next week after the Catalan nationalist party said on Friday it would back him.

Miquel Roca, the parliamentary leader of Convergencia i Unio, pledged his party's support for Mr. González in this first vote, although the party has backed off joining into a formal coalition. "Spain needs a stable government that is formed quickly," Mr. Roca said after meeting with King Juan Carlos I. The king is holding a series of talks with the 10 parties that won seats in the June 6 general elections.

Mr. González is expected to outline his program to parliament at an investiture debate next week. Following the debate, he needs an absolute majority to be confirmed as prime minister on a first vote, or a plurality on a second vote 48 hours later.

#### Iraq Seeks UN Accord for an Oil Sale:

RAGHDAD (AP) — Iraq said Friday that it was willing to negotiate with the United Nations on the one-time sale of oil worth \$1.6 billion, but expects the UN to be flexible. Oil industry experts, however, doubt that an agreement is possible, given Baghdad's refusal to comply fully with UN. Security Council resolutions imposed after the 1990 invasion of

We're sending a team of officials for the talks with an open mind," said an Iraqi Oil Ministry official, speaking on condition of anonymity. The oil official said there was no possibility that Baghdad would accept all the UN terms for selling the oil to finance the purchase of food, medicine and humanitarian supplies for Iraq's 18 million people. But the official and other Iraq's sources said Baghdad's position appears to be more flexible after more than 18 months of fruitless negotiations. The

#### German Confesses in Arson Attack

DUSSELDORF (Renters) — A 21-year-old German confessed on Friday to setting fire to a house mainly inhabited by Turkish families in the western town of Gütersich, the police said.

No one was hurt in the attack early Friday and fire fighters quickly put out the flames. The man, who had been drunk and was not named, was

known by police for a previous arson offense.

Russian troops are still stationed Prosecutors in nearby Darmstadt said a 16-year-old schoolboy and a 21-year-old laborer arrested for setting fire to a half-finished hostel for in many former Soviet republics, despite the breakup of the Soviet Union in December 1991. Nationasylum seekers in Russelsheim last month had confessed to the crime. alist politicians have accused Mos-

#### TRAVEL UPDATE

Just in time for the July 4th weekend, a road through Yosemite National Park in California was reopened to tour buses by officials, who said it had dried out enough to support heavy vehicles.

A strike by Japan Air Lines flight and cabin crew workers Friday caused the cancellation of two flights, one international and one domestic. About 250 passengers were rerouted. A union was protesting JAL's recruitment of foreign flight attendants.

New York State's parks are in their worst state of disrepair in 20 years, suffering from a host of maladies ranging from algae-choked lakes and croding beaches to trampled vegetation and clogged toilets, according to a study. The survey found that almost a third of the state's 150 parks are a study. The survey found that atmost a time of the survey found that atmost a time of the survey facing serious environmental threats largely because spending for unkeep facing serious environmental threats largely because spending for unkeep facing serious environmental threats largely because spending for unkeep facing serious environmental threats largely because spending for unkeep facing serious environmental threats largely because spending for unkeep facing serious environmental threats largely because spending for unkeep facing serious environmental threats largely because spending for unkeep facing serious environmental threats largely because spending for unkeep facing serious environmental threats largely because spending for unkeep facing serious environmental threats largely because spending for unkeep facing serious environmental threats largely because spending for unkeep facing serious environmental threats largely because spending for unkeep facing serious environmental threats largely because spending facing serious environmental threats largely because spending facing serious environmental threats largely because the serious environmental threats largely bec

Chicago's O'Hare and Midway streams can charge \$3 per passenger to help pay for proposed improvements, the U.S. Transportation Department said.

(AP)

Italy's transport workers will strike July 15 to project the government failure to approve a reorganization of the sector, unions announced Friday. The walkout, the second in a month, is expected to halt subways, buses and streetears, cause traffic jams and strand tourists in the peak

A French anti-AIDS group will distribute a million condons to young vacationers on the Riviera during the tourist season. The association, Café Branché, is organizing distribution from 250 beach bars, discos and camp sites between July 14 and August 25.

(AFP)

#### ng to obtain the approval of the they have captured the village of Tamysh and cut the road between Sukhumi and Ochamchira, the only **UN Security Counc** Interfax quoted Mr. Zienko on other Abkhazian town still in

WARHEADS: Ownership Claim

### tory under international control.

MOSCOW - The former Soviet

republic of Georgia accused Russia on Friday of supporting a com-mando raid against its territory by several hundred Abkhazian rebels

who launched an overnight attack

An emergency session of the Georgian parliament voted to give

extra powers to deal with the flare-

up in fighting in the breakaway

The Abkhazian capital, Sukhu-

mi, is one of the few towns left in

the province that is still in Geor-

gian hands. It was reported to be

under heavy artillery attack from

The Georgian Foreign Ministry

accused Russia of sending 2,000

troops from its 14th Army into the

province to support the Ahkhazian

the rebels.

President Eduard A. Shevardna

western province of Abkhazia.

along the Black Sea coast.

The proposal raised concern in Moscow that Washington was seeking access to the ouclear se-crets of the former Soviet Union. The missile dispute has been further complicated by Ukraine's hostile reaction to the U.S. cruise mis-

been defused, but only after the State Council, the central government, directly inter-vened and ordered the Xian authorities to work out a com-Tensions spilled over June 15, when 1.000 to 2,000 stu-

sile attack on Iraqi intelligence beadquarters in Baghdad. Unlike Russia, which quickly expressed support for the attack.

Georgia Blames Russia in Raid

Ministry Alleges Moscow Aided Abkhazian Commandos

offensive south of Sukhumi. Geor-gia has repeatedly accused Russia of arming and training the Abkha-zians, who have traditionally

looked to Moscow for protection.

The Russian Defense Ministry

denied the Georgian allegation, de-

tion." It denied that any 14th Army

troops, who are normally stationed in the western republic of Moldova,

The renewed fighting in Georgia

coincided with clashes along the

Tajikistan-Afghanistan border fol-

lowing an attempt by armed rebels

to cross into the former Soviet

Union. The Interfax news agency

reported that at least 40 members

of an armed group had been killed by Russian and Tajik border

guards after pushing about 10 kilo-meters (6 miles) into Tajikistan.

had been sent to Georgia.

Friday as saying that the United States had counted on "unambigu-ous support" from Ukraine. He added that a number of Ukrainian deputies had raised the issue of the START-1 Treaty ratification following the raid

"People say: 'Can you see what is happening? Where are guaran-tees? How will our safety be se-Ukraine accused Washington of vi-olating international law and fail-to Interfax.

### Hurd to Go to China Without New Offer

China, meanwhile, announced the formal establishment of a higha shadow government for the Brit-

Mr. Hurd, speaking in London after talks with Hong Kong's gov-ernor. Chris Patten, about proposals for democratic reforms in the British colony, said the government had accepted Mr. Patten's sugges-

discuss ways of advancing negotiations with Beijing on the extension of democracy in Hong Kong before it reverts to China in 1997.

through six fruitless sessions since they were begun in April.

Minister Qian Qichen.

Mr. Hurd will be visiting Beijing

Mr. Patten, who has warned China that time is running out in the search for a compromise, rejected as "daft" the suggestion that he was being edged out of the discussions

The governor repeated his warning that he would go ahead with his legislative proposals if an agree-

## -MICHAEL DOBBS

Foreign visitors to the European Community will find a different set of rules this summer on the

Because the completion of a single market has removed customs controls between one EC country and another, refunds of the tax are now negonable only at the point of departure from the

homeward flight. The customs officer will ask to see a ticket to a destination ontside the Community and a boarding pass before stamping the forms.

The refund forms, duly stamped, must then be returned to the stores, which will refund the tax.

Stores are allowed to deduct the tax at the point of sale, provided the goods are delivered outside the Community or directly to the customer's departing aircraft or ship. In fact, some stores deduct the tax at the source and allow customers to take

Alternatively, customers can turn to one of the

the spot in return for the refund forms, which they then negotiate themselves. They charge a hefty commission, but many travelers prefer to use the agencies rather than wait months - or, in the case

Value-added tax exists in all EC countries as well as Austria, Iceland, Finland, Norway, Sweden. Switzerland and Turkey.

Business travelers, in particular, can work the system to their advantage, because in some countries the value-added tax they pay on hotels, meals, conference fees, consultants and lawyers fees and travel is refundable, provided they have a business

ery of taxes paid by businesses, exist throughout the Community. Because what is deductible and the rate of tax vary from country, getting a refund

Nevertheless, said Charlotte Vogt, of Cashback in London, which negotiates refunds on behalf of several multinational companies, the refunds can run into hig money. Business travelers should be able to recoup all or part of the value-added tax they incur in every EC country except Greece, which has a 21 percent tax rate.

fundable to business travelers in Sweden, Austria

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LONDON - The British foreign secretary, Douglas Hurd, said Friday that he would make a hastily arranged visit to China next week but would not make any new

proposals to settle the dispute about democracy in Hong Kong. powered group that many political observers believe could evolve into

ish colony

tion in the last few days that a highlevel visit to China would be "use-Mr. Patten has been in Britain to

Mr. Hurd dismissed suggestions that his coming visit to China on Thursday and Friday underlined the scale of the Hong Kong prob-lem. He is to meet with Foreign

"I will not be negotiating," he said. "I will not be taking any new proposals out. I would like to set

after leaders of the Group of Seven

to placate Beijing.

The One-Stop Tax Refund For Visitors Shopping in EC, Rules Change on VAT

refund of the value-added tax they pay on any goods bought within the 12-nation bloc.

Community.

Thus an American who shops in London and then Paris before returning to the United States, can no longer apply for a refund at a London airport. The traveler must get store receipts and the refund forms stamped at a Paris airport before the

typically almost one fifth the total value of an item. some airports have special mailing boxes for the

the goods with them on presentation of a non-EC passport, but this is illegal. "You didn't hear about it from us," said a spokesman for British Customs

many factoring agencies, which have offices at major European amports. These issue a check on

of Italy, years — for their refunds to arrive.

Stores that offer tax-free purchases often work in partnership with one of the agencies.

in their own countries that is registered for tax purposes. The Internal Revenue Service's Certifi-cate of Filing and Tax Return Confirmation is usually sufficient proof for American travelers. Tax reclaim firms, which specialize in the recov-

can be a complex procedure.

Outside the Community, value added tax is re-

## STATESIDE / 'MISTAKES WERE MADE'

### Report Chides Clinton Staff It Cites 'Mistakes' in Travel Office Incident

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - An internal report on Friday cited "financial mismanagement" in the White House travel office, but said staff members erred in dismissing seven civil-service workers and in trying to persuade the FBI to investigate them.

The report, compiled by the White House chief of staff, Thomas F. (Mack) McLarty, and the budget director, Leon E. Panetta, accused some White House staff members of "not being sufficiently vigilant in gnarding against even the ap-pearance of pressure on the FBL."

"Mistakes were made," Mr. McLarty said at a White House briefing in making public the report. "We are implementing improvement procedures," he said.

He publicly reprimanded four White House staffers: David Watkins, director of administration and management; William Kennedy, an assistant White House counsel; Jeff Eller, director of media affairs; and Catherine Cornelius, the current head of the travel office.

He announced that Ms. Cornelius, a 25-year-old distant cousin of Mr. Clinton's who worked on his campaign and was brought in to run the travel office after the firings, would be "reassigned to another position which has not yet been deter-

The report recommends that five of the seven fired employees be allowed to retain government jobs, although not necessarily in the travel office, which arranges travel for the White House press

"We did the right thing, but we clearly did it in

the wrong way," the report said.

Ms. Cornelius smuggled documents out of the office before the firings were announced and before she took over, the report said. "Cornelius lacked the experience or preparation for this role,"

The report also questioned the role played by a Clinton friend, the Hollywood producer Harry Thomason, it said that his decision to look into the affairs of the travel office "clearly extended beyond what he was originally asked to do."

Permitting Thomason — or any nonstaff person who comes in on special assignment - to work on problems outside the scope of his or her assignment is not a good practice," the report said.

Even though the report said that "the financial

management of the travel office was seriously deficient," the blanket firing of the seven workers - five of whom had no responsibility over financial matters - was a mistake.

"A more humane approach was in order," Mr.

The report also forbids almost all contact between White House employees and the FBI regarding criminal cases, requiring White House staff to go through the Justice Department. Such contacts were prohibited previously, but the report apparently establishes stricter rules.

Mr. Kennedy, a former law partner of Hillary Rodham Clinton, contacted the FBI with the alle-

As the White House faced charges that it was exaggerating the accusations against the seven em-ployees, an FBI official met with White House officials and drafted a statement saying the accusations warranted a criminal investigat

The report also recommended better accounting procedures in the travel office, which handles milions of dollars, and reiterated previous statements that the office can be run with fewer than seven

employees.
White House officials previously admitted that mistakes were made in the case. The five employees exonerated in the report were placed nn leave with pay after the initial firings led to accusations of cronyism and heavy-handed tactics to get the

### Pope Warns Of Pagan Aspects to **Feminism**

New York Times Service ROME - Pope John Paul II urged American bishops on Friday to combat what he termed a "bitter, ideological" feminism among some American Catholic women that had led to "forms of nature worship and the celebration of myths and symbols" usurping traditional celebrations of the Christian faith.

The Pope's speech to the bishops further underlined the gap between the Vatican and many U.S. Catholics on the role of women in the church and reflected Rome's concern about what it sees as an ultrafeminism among some U.S. groups that goes toward pagan worship.

As pastors, we are to challenge individuals and groups having such beliefs and call them to the honest and sincere dialogue that must go on, within the Church, on women's expectations," the Pope told the bishops from Detroit and Miami.

The Vatican's differences with American women Catholics cover an array of issues.

In recent years, some of the Vatican's most senior cardinals have registered concern about American feminist Catholic worship of such concepts the earth goddess, saying the practice creates an unaccept-able blend of Catholicism with animist faith. Conservative American clerics have even suggested that such worship veered toward witch-

The Pope said the Vatican could not ignore the debate on the role of women since "respect for women's rights is without doubt an essential to make her own this worthy objec-

He acknowledged that "in some circles there continues to exist a climate of dissatisfaction with the Church's position." But, he made clear that "the question cannot be resolved through a compromise with a feminism which polarizes among bitter, ideological lines."

"It is not simply that some people claim a right for women to be cally difficult to change, has chosen admitted to the ordained priest-to try to fix what is most valuable in the forests — the salmon streams form, it is the Christian faith itself which is in danger of being under-

"Sometimes forms of nature worship and the celebration of All this will make for a new day at the Forest Service, which has managed the public woodlands with timber industry's best intersts at heart. Catholic nuns performing rituals
But it is not the new era Mr. ontside traditional worship ap-

proved by the Vatican, saying such "Unfortunately, this kind of feminism is being encouraged by some people in the Church, including some religious women whose sure from Mr. Fnley, who said he was shocked by bow low the projected timber harvest would be said. liefs, attitudes and behavior no ings against the ordination of wom-

ca, saying they were rooted in the divine will. However, be insisted that "the distinction of roles in no ted owl restrictions - had been way favors the superiority of some

-ALAN COWELL



Rescue workers tending to victims of the multiple shooting in a San Francisco law office. The picture was taken through a window.

### Killer of 8 at Law Firm Was a Litigant

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches
SAN FRANCISCO — A gumman who killed eight people in a San Francisco law office was identified on Friday as a real estate investor who had been involved in litigation with the law

Mayor Frank Jordan, in television interviews, said the gunman, Gian Luigi Ferri, 55, apparently was known in the law offices of Pettit and Martin. He said Mr. Ferri "was a real estate investor, and there was some litigation pending at that law office." Mayor Jordan said that after the shooting spree the man turned a gun on himself and committed suicide.

Mr. Ferri had taken an elevator up to the step toward a more just and mature

Mr. Ferri had taken an elevator up to the
society, and the Church cannot fail

34th floor of the 49-story skyscraper at 101 about 3 P.M. on Thursday. 'No one was suspicious because he was wear-

ing a business suit and a shirt and tie," the mayor said, "and I think evidently once he arrived at the 34th floor, when he opened up his coat, be had two semiautomatic weapons that were strapped to his suspenders and he also had a 45 automatic handgun. He opened fire on that 34th floor and the carnage continued for five different floors, down to the 30th."

After shooting 15 people, eight fatally, he was about to be confronted by the police on the stairs between the 29th and the 30th floors, and he turned one of his weapons on himself, Mr.

The shooting spree caused chaos in

California Street, in the financial district, at downtown district, with traffic and transit systems disrupted. Dozens of ambulances, police and fire vehicles came to the scene and the police sealed off an area several blocks wide. Thousands of office workers barricaded them-

selves after the emergency was announced.
Wayne Jeffries, a lawyer at Pettit and Martin, said the gunman had been at the firm earlier in the day for a deposition, but details of the case were not immediately known.

Mr. Ferri was president of ADF Mortgage and Realty in Woodland Hills, a suburb of Los Angeles, the San Francisco Examiner said. Besides his semiautomatic weapons, the gunman had a black canvas bag stuffed with "hundreds and hundreds of rounds," Mayor Jordan

### No End to War of the Woods

#### But Clinton Plan for the Northwest Shields Old Forests

By Timothy Egan New York Times Service SEATTLE - The plan that President Bill Clinton has announced to bring peace, jobs and a degree of protection to the old growth forests of the Pacific Northwest will not end the decade-long civil war in the woods here.

After years in which the logging industry and conservationists fended over threatened spotted owls and other endangered species, the plan signals a historic shift in the way the federal government will manage more than 23 million acres (9.3 million hectares) of public forests. Logging will no longer domi-nate decisions, with the number of trees cut reduced by more than two-thirds from its highest levels. At the same time, there also will not be any large formal wilderness arcas, which would be off-limits to anything but light-footed visits by

The Clinton prngram, announced Thursday, also calls for about \$1.2 billion in aid for displaced workers and economic development.

Amid the predictable criticism from both sides, and an extraordinary shouting match between Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt and the House speaker, Thomas S. Foley, Democrat of Washington, the plan is viewed as somewhat of a ready announced that it is phasing curiosity by those who live and work in the woods. Some workers in a given area are leveled. In the more to his liking.

at least predictable, future. "In the short-term, this looks like

a significant amount of timber for us," said Robert Cugini, a thirdgeneration mill owner in Renton. Washington, just outside of Seattle. When Mr. Cugini's father took over the family timber operation,

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there were 15 sawmills in the Seattle area. Now there is only one: his Barbee Mill. And be said the presideat's plan should allow him to stay open. "Beyond that, it's up to the marketplace," he said.

As outlined by the president, the plan would set aside about 7 million acres of old-growth reserves, or about 80 percent of the nation's remaining ancient forests, with some limited logging in those areas. lines on a map, or formal wilder-ness areas, but would be set up to protect streams and watersheds, primarily those with salmon. If fish return to these streams in significant numbers, it could belp the sagging Northwest fishing indus-

try, administration officials said. Ten areas, ranging in size from 80,000 to 380,000 acres each, would be set up as experimental logging areas. The Forest Service has al-

see in it the outline of a painful, but experimental areas, logging would be selective. The rest of the timber would

come from lands where species are not threatened. The total cut would be about 1,2 billion board feet a year. In the 1980s, the Forest Service allowed nearly 5 billion board feet a year to be cut. The White House, boxed in by

environmental laws that are politithe forests — the salmon streams and watersheds — and let scientists experiment with bow to allow log- mined." ging in other areas without damagng the ecology.

ests at heart.

Clinton had in mind. The president was lorged to accept: clearly did not like and that infuriated Mr. Foley, who has long guided Northwest forest decisions with behind-the-scenes power and a till toward the industry.

jected timber harvest would be. In the past Mr. Foley - whose district includes the huge Colville National Forest, which is not subject to spotout clear-cutting, in which all trees able to see that forest plans were over nthers."

### **Away From Politics**

 Flood waters along parts of the Mississippi River receded slightly, but a stretch of the river between St. Paul, Minnesota, and St. Louis, Missouri, was expected to remain closed for two weeks. President Bill Clinton promised to ask Congress for more disaster aid.

• Blood supplies are to be made safer in the United States, the Food and Drug Administration said, Regulations are planned to strengthen quality control for blood banks and set standards for recordkeeping so that suspect donations can be tracked more easily.

 Endorsing a controversial anti-gang tactic, the California Supreme Court decided that parents may be prosecuted and sent to prison if they do not take decisive steps to prevent their children from committing crimes. In a Los Angeles case, it upheld a state law that holds parents liable if their failure to exercise "reasonable care, supervision and control" permits a child to become delinquent.

· A woman with the virus that causes AIDS apparently drowned herself in New York's Hudson River after trying to trick her 7-year-old son to jump in with ber, the police said. The mother, Milagros Martinez, 31, undressed on the pier in Greenwich Village and also had taken off her son's socks and shoes, telling him he had to save her. When she jumped and did not surface, the child stood on the pier, Pulice divers could not find her.

 A Catholic priest who was a chaplain in the Marine Corps admitted to molesting young males and was sentenced to 12 years in prison. Lieutenant Robert Hrdlicka pleaded guilty in Beaufort, South Carolina, to seven counts of indecent acts or indecent liberties with a

 A highway tunnel in New York City was closed off for nearly four bours after police found a suspicious package, causing a huge traffic jam. The cylindrical device found in the Brooklyn-Battery Tunnel was taken to an explosives range for examination.

• French and U.S. divers have brought to the surface the first artifacts to be recovered from the wreck of the U.S. Civil War ship, Alabama, which was sunk off northern France in 1864.

Newark, New Jersey, Mr. Mehdi

Mr. Mehdi said the sheikh was surrendering because "he always would accept any legitimate order

of authority."
The sheikh's New York lawyer Barbara Nelson said earlier that a

surrender was being worked out.
"Immigration wants him; he might
as well surrender," she said. There's no point in running away The Justice Department said

Sheikh Abdel Rahman entered the United States on a tourist visa July 18. 1990. He nbtained permaner sident status in 1991 as a minister of religion, but this was rescinded in March last year because he concealed his criminal record in Egypt.

He had been appealing deporta-tion by seeking a asylum, though one asylum bid was already denied.

### Islamic Cleric Vows To Surrender in U.S.

Federal agents began a stakeout

tion of Brooklyn. The atmosphere

grew hostile, and people who came

and went from the mosque shoved

cameras and onlookers aside.

Mr. Mehdi, secretary-general of the National Council on Islamic NEW YORK - An Islamie cleric whose followers are accused of a Affairs, had said neither the sheikh terrorist conspiracy and bombing nor his supporters would resist an the World Trade Center was said to be ready to surrender Friday to immigration officials in New Jersey after Sabbath prayers.

Sheikh Omar Abdel Rahman, Sheikh Omar Abdel Rah Thursday night at the mosque. About 70 reporters, neighbors and onlookers gathered in front of the building in the Borough Park sec-

Sheakh Omar Addet Ranman, 55, was sought after federal authorities decided to revoke his parole on immigration charges. They had allowed the Egyptian cleric to remain free while he fought a deportation order issued in March.

Late in the evening, a maroon van pulled up and supporters of the The sheikh was not being sheikh hustled a man dressed in assassination conspiracy that was white into the vehicle. Agents of the FBI and the Immibroken up a week ago, authorities grating and Naturalization Service jumped out, seemingly from no-

nent Arab-American activist who is close to the sheikh, said Friday that Sheikh Abdel Rahman spent the night in the Abu Bakr manual promise out, seemingly from nowhere, shotguns and pistols drawn, some crouched in firing position.

Twn federal vehicles

path. The agents swarmed around the van and shouted, "Get out! Get After finishing his Sabbath prayers there Friday, the blind clerie out!" But it was a hoax. The man bewould be driven by supporters to the immigration service office in

lieved to be the sheikh had his head down but was wearing a red and white cap like that worn by Sheikh Abdel Rahman.

When agents got their hands on him, he looked up and it became clear be was not the cleric.



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### \* POLITICAL NOTES\*

Tokyo Goes on Sushi Alert for Clinton Arrival WASHINGTON - Attention all sushi chess in Tokyo: Bill

The president of the United States said Friday that he was "absolutely" a fan of the Japanese delicacy that features raw fresh fish and hopes to taste some when be arrives next week for the Group of Seven summit meeting.

"My schedule is a little more regimented than I wish it were." Mr. Cinton said at the end of an Oval Office interview. "But I'm a big fan of Japanese food. I'm hoping that at least one night I could just Known worldwide for his love of a good meal (some would say any meal), the president was ambushed with the sushi question. But he

"I want to go out to a small, modest restaurant and just have some," he said with a laugh. (IHT)

#### 'Silme Bail' Remark Costs Lobbyist His Job

WASHINGTON - A vice president of the leading pro-Israel lobby was forced to resign after calling Israel's deputy foreign minister "a little slime ball."

The lobbyist, Harvey Friedman, was the second senior official of the America-Israel Public Affairs Committee to be dismissed this week for disparaging other Jews. On Monday, the executive director, Thomas A. Dine, was asked to resign after having been quoted as saying that some people regard ultra-Orthodox Jews as "smelly" and

Mr. Friedman, a vice president of the organization, took three congressmen to Israel where they met with, among others, Yossi Beilin, the deputy foreign minister. During the meeting with Mr. Beilin, Mr. Friedman said it showed Gall for Prime Minister Yitzhal Rabin to consider trading land for peace in Mideast negotiations. Mr. Beilin complained to Israel's ambassador to the United States. Itamar Rabinovich, about Mr. Friedman's remarks, Mr. Rabinovich

contacted Mr. Dine, who was then still head of the committee, who called Mr. Beilin to apologize.
But in an article on Thursday about Mr. Dine's resignation. Washington Jewish Week reported that Mr. Friedman had insisted that Mr. Beilin had distorted the account of what was said.

Mr. Friedman said Mr. Beilin had made statements that he had found extraordinary, including that the current Israeli government was prepared to withdraw to its pre-1967 boundaries, with the exception of Jerusalem, in return for a lasting peace.

Mr. Friedman is quoted as saying of Mr. Beilin: "This little slime ball can say be didn't say it, but three congressmen will affirm that

### Quote/Unquote

Representative Patricia Schroeder of Colorado, commenting on reports that U.S. Navy aviators from several reserve squadrons in the San Diego area, defying repeated navy efforts to combat sexual harassment, have distributed T-shirts emblazoned with lewd remarks about her: "It makes you wonder whether the training is ever going to get through to some people in the navy."

### U.S. Denies Visas to 79 Libyan Athletes

By David Nakamura and Gabby Richards

Washington Past Service
WASHINGTON — The State Department has blocked the issuance of entry visas to a delegation of 79 Libyan athletes to the World University Games in Buffalo, New York, next week as part of an embargo imposed on Libya after the 1988 bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 in Lockerbie, Scotland.

The State Department determined that the Libyan athletes are an "instrumentality of the Libvan government" and therefore must obtain a license from the Treasury Department to spend money legally in the United States. With no license, no visas may be issued. that the Treasury not grant the license," a State Department official said.

That action and significant congressional op-position to the possibility that the International Olympic Committee might award the 2000 Summer Olympics to Beijing have some offi-cials of the U.S. Olympic Committee concerned about possible repercussions at the 1996 Games

LeRoy Walker, president of the U.S. Olympic Committee, met Thursday with three U.S. lawmakers who oppose Beijing's bid.

The International Olympic Committee insists that the host country, upon being awarded

"The secretary of state has recommended the Olympic Games, permit free access to all

This will be the first time the World Universi-Games, the largest world athletic competition outside the Olympics, will be held in the United States. More than 5,000 athletes from 139 countries will take part in the July 8-18 event. The chairman, Burt Flickinger, said he expected no problems with other countries and that no protests or complaints will be filed with the State Department. All other delegations have been granted entry visas, including one from Iraq.

"We're sorry to see any team excluded on the basis of what country they come from," be said. "But in no way do we condemn our government

### Clinton Seeks \$5 Billion for Cities Losing Bases

WASHINGTON - President Bill Clinton announced a \$5 billion program on Friday to help ease the economic pain of a plan to close or scale back dozens of military bases in the United States, saying it was the least we can do for the people

supported our troops." "I am ordering an unprecedent-ed federal effort to assure that when we close these bases we also open a new and brighter future for the affected workers and their communities," Mr. Clinton said. "We will respond rapidly and

and the communities who have

spend money more wisely," be said. The president accepted an independent commission's recommendation that the Pentagon close 129 bases, 92 of them overseas, and realign 46 others. The list becomes final unless rejected by Congress within 45 working days.

He said the assistance program would include grants averaging \$1 million to each American commumity affected by a major base clos-In the past, base closings forced

communities to cope with a jarring

economic upheaval without tools

or resources," Mr. Clinton said.

"For communities from coast to

coast affected by base closings, the

federal government will now work

aggressively to help these patriotic grams and reduced bureaucratic cuzeus, cities and towns prosper." hurdles, with a single coordinator for these things:

 "Fast-track cleanup" to get bases ready for other uses and to avoid needless delays. New emphasis on using former military installations for job-creating ventures. He called for "fast-

track disposal" of the bases. • Streamlined assistance pro-

He said the program also calls for efforts in each community. Mr. Clinton said he expected the program to "have a buge practical difference in the lives of these com-

munities." The president said he was optimistic that Congress would ap-prove money for the conversion effarts because legislators would recognize "you simply cannot take

Secretary of Defense Les Aspin said all of the money already had been requested elsewhere, \$3 billion as part of a military conversion plan the president announced in March and \$2 billion for environmental cleanup from other areas of

the budget.
While closing domestic bases would be costly at first, it should save about \$2.3 billion a year after 2000, the commission said.

### NOVEL: Lascivious Computer Churns Out a Potboiler

this away from communities with-

Continued from Page 1

example, the computer would ask Mr. French about the "cattiness factor" that should be used in the scene. Mr. French would be presented with choices one through 10. If he keyed in No. 8 — high catti-ness — the computer reached into its memory to craft a sentence that was likely to employ words like "screaming" or "shricking."
Some reviews of "Just This

Once" have been surprisingly gen-

erous, more so than for works by Miss Susann, whose obituary in

1974 in The New York Times ob-

served that critics were "almost

unanimously unkind to her books."

In USA Today on Wednesday,

Thomas Gifford, a novelist, reviewed both "Just This Once" and another entry of the same genre, American Star," by Jackie Collins, Mr. Gifford's verdict: "If you do like this stuff, you'd be much, much better off with the one written by the computer."

The novel's publisher, the Carol Publishing Group's Birch Lane Press, recognizes that "Just This Once" is an experimental foray and that its commercial prospects are uncertain. The first printing is a respectable 15,000 hard-cover copies, priced at \$18.95. It will be available in the national book-store chains and elsewhere.

"But basically," said Steven

Schragis, Carol's publisher, "the stores don't know what to make of

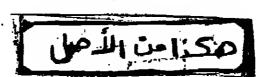
But Mr. Schragis hopes that the book's novelty will attract readers. "I'm not saying this is a great work of literary distinction, but it is as good as a hundred other romance novels being published this year," he said. "Right now, this is the cutting edge of literary artificial intelligence, and I wanted to be involved at the start of it."

Computer experts are beaused and intrigued. Writing a 295-page book patterned after a pulp-fiction queen strikes them as a delightfully frivolous application of artificial



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OPINION

### Beware Pentagon Fudge

The 1980s were the go-go years at the Pentagon, and that meant anything goes, includ-ing lying to Congress. According to General Accounting Office investigators, the largest peacetime military buildup in American history was powered by "systematie" misrepresentations. The Pentagon inflated the Soviet threat, exaggerated the performance of new weapons, and understated their costs.

The findings should make Congress skeptical about current Pentagon claims: If military project managers were prepared to play Pinoc-chio when military spending was all the rage, what will they do in the harder times to come? The GAO examined the \$350 billion buildup of nuclear arms in the 1980s and found these abrications and lies in Pentagon testimony:

The Air Force exaggerated the ability of the B-1B bomber to penetrate Soviet defenses by falsifying the B-1Bs radar cross-section, a critical measurement of its ability to evade detection by radar. The Air Force says it mistakenly fudged the facis. Ninety-six B-1Bs were built at a cost of \$28 billion. After a series of malfunctions, they are all now grounded. The Air Force grossly exaggerated the capublity of Soviet air defenses to bolster its claim that only the B-2 Stealth bomber could penetrate them. That claim was false. America is now building 20 B-2s at a cost of \$44 billion. The GAO raises doubts both about that cost estimate and about the stealthiness of the B-2. which bas yet to pass flight tests.

The accounting office also found "unsubstantiated allegations" about likely Soviet breakthroughs in their ability to detect U.S. submarines and "underestimation" of the U.S. subs' capabilities. The "overstated" vulnerability of sub-launched missiles was "used frequently to justify buying costly new bombers and land-based mussiles.

Perhaps the most disturbing finding of all is that "for at least three decades" the Pentagon only considered the worst-case threats in its analyses. It never tried to consider an array of possible threats. It also never considered whether other weapons already in the U.S. arsenal could do the job of the new weapons it wanted to build. That is what the Pentagon now needs to do. before asking for \$50 billion or more to build 442 new F-22 stealth fighters. - THE NEW YORK TIMES.

### Press Nigeria Forward

General Ibrahim Babangida's decision 10 keep Nigeria from joining Africa's group of emerging democracies makes a mockery of his often-repeated pledge to end the military's 10year grip on power. By allowing his supporters to interfere in the country's first presidential election in a decade and then deciding to nullify the results. General Babangida has shown contempt for the ballot box and civilian rule. Fortunately, because Nigerians are not content to leave their future in the hands of soldiers, the day is slipping away in which

Nigerian strongmen can act with impunity. Apparently stung by the swiftness of the domestic and international criticism brought on by his actions, the general now says he will give up power on Aug. 27 as promised. His performance record inspires little confidence in his professions of commitment to democracy. In the past four years, General Babangida has reneged three times on agreements to relinquish his office. Even the rules governing this aborted election left something to be desired. The beavy hand of the Babangida government was all over the two newly created political parties, their party constitutions and the parties' ultimate eboices of standardbearers. Yet the process was an improvement over the prospect of continued military rule.

Now even that has been suspended. Out of all this, the most encouraging response to the general's display of contempt for his electorate is the decision of so many Nigerians and their Western well-wishers to resist General Babangida's decree until he turns back to democracy. Nigerians across a broad spectrum have raised their voices against the annulment of election results. Their protests have received unequivocal American and British support - a reaction, we note, that bas come this time without any diplomatie hand-wringing. The U.S. and British decisions to deprive the general's regime of all foreign aid except bumanitarian assistance suggest a resolve that he may have erroneousv concluded was lacking.

International pressure should not stop there. In outlining American policy toward Africa last month, Secretary of State Warren Christopher said, "The Clinton administration will provide strong and visible support for the movement to freedom in Africa." Nigeria is one of the prime places to start.

- THE WASHINGTON POST.

### Poor Women Still Wait

Twenty years have passed since the Supreme Court decision in Roe v. Wade, but millions of Americans still refuse to accept a woman's right to end an unwanted pregnancy. Since abortion remains so divisive an issue, it is no surprise that this past week's House debate on the Hyde amendment, which forbids federal funding of the procedure, aroused a lot of beat. The heat is pardonable; the words with which Representative Henry Hyde, a Republican of Illinois, defended his legislation are not. When Representative Cynthia McKinney, a

Democrat of Georgia, described the amendment as "nothing but a discriminatory policy against poor women who happen to be disproportionately black," Mr. Hyde threw the race card right back in her face. "About those people that say the poor are discriminated agoinst," he said, "you know what we do? We tell poor people: 'You can't have a job, you can't have a good education, you can't have a decent place to live. I will tell you what we will do. We will give you a free abortion because there are too many of you people and we want to refine, refine the breed."

Was Mr. Hyde mounting a spirited plea for more aid to the poverty-stricken? No way. Instead, he was appropriating the abortion

debate's nastiest canard - that making abortion available to the poor is deliberately tantamount to committing genocide - in defense of the Hyde amendment.

Mr. Hyde's ban was upbeld by a 255-to-178 vote, but it is not the same as the first, 1977 version. Now it makes an exception for victims of rape and incest. But if the new Hyde amendment is compassionate toward some poor women, it is punitive toward others, "Medicaid will pay for your abortion if the pregnancy wasn't your fault," reads the subtext, "Other-

wise, you've made your bed - so lie in it." Polls show an increasing acceptance of choice, so the lopsided House vote probably reflects Americans' reluctance to have their tax money pay for somebody's abortion, rather than opposition to abortion itself. On the other hand. American taxpayers already sub-sidize abortions for middle-class women through tax deductions for private health in-

surance plans that pay for them.

No, the issue raised by the Hyde amendment - and the attempts to repeal it - is not taxes but equity. Poor women are still denied the bealth-care options available to more fortunate Americans.

-THE NEW YORK TIMES.

### Other Comment

#### Ponder This Trade Scenario

America's new Japanese policy, like the old, already seems more rhetoric than substance. Rather than making enemies out of friends and going soft on chronie trade offenders. President Clinton might ponder the lessons of a remarkable simulation beld in Boston by the air force last May. Modeled on military war games, the simulation pitted some of the most aggressive U.S. academic, media and government trade hawks against a team of Japan experts in a struggle to define the terms of post-Cold War

trade. The U.S. team won handily.

At the start of the game, the United States demanded explicit reductions in Japan's worldwide trade surplus, extensive technology transfers and greatly increased support for foreign investment in the country. When the Japanese team offered a variety of largely empty gestures in return, the Americans created a Group of Six - all the major industrial countries minus Japan - and orchestrated global sanctions against Japanese companies. Europe and the United States concluded a \$40 billion joint research-and-development, investment and free-trade agreement, while South Korea, China and most ASEAN countries disengaged from Japanese economic relationships

in favor of U.S. and other Western ties. While the world united against Japan, none of the doomsday scenarios that haunt U.S. strategic thinking - Japanese domestic chaos, imperialistic rearmament, regional insta-bility — materialized. After a brief flirtation with a Socialist coalition government, the oldguard leaders of the Liberal Democratic Party recaptured power. In light of U.S. military might in the region. Japan made no serious effort to offensively rearm. Eight years into the simulation, the Japanese team capitulated to virtually everything the United States and its global partners demanded.

Conflict gaming, of course, can never substi-tute for the complexities of real life nor do more than suggest interesting policy options. But, for a brief time last May, an American team was able to mount an aggressive Japanese and global trade strategy with more consistency and logic than can presently be found in the entire federal bureaucracy. Mr. Clinton would do well to consider the danger that policy incoherence could cause his international trade agenda to briefly flare like Fourth of July fireworks and then fade unnoticed into the evening air. - David Friedman, a visiting fellow at the

Massachusetts Institute of Technology Japan program, writing in the Los Angeles Times.



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## Talking Peace: Miracle in South Africa?

By Anthony Lewis

KEMPTON PARK, South Africa
When President Frederik de Klerk and Nelson Mandela are honored Sunday in Independence Hall in Philadelphia, the setting will have special symbolic significance. For the American constitution was written in that hall in 1787, and South Africa today is engaged in one of the most formidable exercises in consti-

tution-making since then.

Like the delegates of 1787, the members of the negotiating forum here are creating a wholly new political system — creating a country.

Familiar phrases leap from the draft. "The constitution shall be the

supreme law of the land," it says. There shall be a separation of powers between the legislature, executive and judiciary, with appropriate checks and balances."

James Madison and his colleagues would be pleased to see their ideas taken up two centuries later half a world away. But of course there are enormous differences between what happened in the summer of 1787 and

what is happening here.

Privacy of deliberation is one striking difference. The framers of the U.S. Constitution met in secret, and minutes of their discussions were not published until decades later.

The South African negotiating sessions are open to the press, and reporters buttonhole delegates in the corridors. Almost every day newspapers announce that there is a or a "breakthrough."

The American framers were all white men of top property, and they met before there were defined political parties. The delegates here are a kaleidoscope of colors, languages, parties, regions, ideologies. The variety of interests elashing

and all in public, make this a profoundly difficult negotiation. Indeed, the first attempt to create a new political system failed last year.

When the new talks started two months ago, they faced irreconcilable demands. For example, Chief Mangosuthu Butbelezi's inkatha Freedom Party demanded that a final constitution be written by these unelected delegates, while the

African National Congress wanted an elected constituent assembly to write the permanent constitution. An ingenious device was used to get around such conflicts. A Technical Committee on Constitutional Is-sues was created. The members, nonpoliticians, were appointed by unanimous vote of the negotiators.

imously approved a series of mollifying recommendations.

The committee proposed "constitutional principles" for a five-year transitional period. The elected as-

The committee's experts have unan-

nation, but it would have to work within fixed rules. The committee made explicit what the framers in 1787 only implied: the constitutional principles would be legally enforceable, in a new constitutional court.

There is broad agreement on a bill of rights, again with Americansounding protections for free speech, equal protection of the laws and the like. But care is being taken to leave room for affirmative action after the centuries of racism.

Chief Buthelezi may still try to obstruct an agreement that would let sembly would adopt the final constithe transition to a new South Africa

been built by the committee proces and the government and the African National Congress both seem determined to seize the moment.

The conditions of 1787 may seem utterly different. But ingenious compromises were necessary there, too: between large states and small, for one. And then, too, a suspicious public had to be convinced to approve the constitution. Catherine Dinker Bowen called her classic account of the Philadelphia Convention "Miracle at Philadelphia." If a new South Africa is born here, as I think it will be, it will be as great a miracle.

### Cut No Deals With a Mideast Tyrant

By A. M. Rosenthal

WASHINGTON — In the rooms at the State Department where Syrian and Israeli negotiators talk about peace, the conversation often gets murky but the view remains perfectly clear: straight across 6,000 miles to a sliver of land high above the valleys below. The view of the heights, and from the heights, are what the talks have been all about for the 20 months since they started. Speeches and rumors—now as always they mean nothing when Israeli and Arab negotiators sit down to talk, compared to kilome-ters between borders and meters above sea level.

So, despite the hints from Syria and Israel that President Hafez Assad of Syria had made a grand break-through decision for full peace with Israel, the chief Israeli negotiator stood Wednesday before the press and said that he could be brief about the 10th round of talks just ended — no progress, nothing much happened.

Now enters the United States to see if it can get a real
peace decision from Mr. Assad, and what it will cost in

money and principle — that principle, so here-again-gone-again, of not building up dictatorships. Kilometers and meters. For 19 years after the creation of Israel, Syrian soldiers stood on the Golan Heights, fired down on Israeli farmers and controlled the approaches to Israeli cities a few tank hours away. But since June 10, 1967, no Syrian soldier has seen that view. Israelis captured the heights during the Six Day

War. Since that day Israeli infantry and armor have commanded heights overlooking and bemming in Syrian divisions — a swift, historic military turnaround.

For 25 years, no Israeli government considered giving up the Golan Heights — including the Labor government headed by Yitzhak Rabin in the '70s. The current government headed by Prime Minister Rabin is ready to deal, but not exactly leap — to talk phased withdrawal if Mr. Assad first agrees in writing and public to a full peace involving security arrange ambassadors, commerce, water, Mr. Rabin sees dealing about the Golan as militarily feasible and worth the risk for peace. His opponents outside Labor see it as an

unforgivable threat to Israeli security. For almost two years, from Damascus and Jerusalem came the rumors about how Mr. Assad had decided to agree to a real peace in exchange for phased return. Now Israelis concede they do not know if Mr. Assad has even decided to decide. A top State Department team is off for the Mideast; Secretary of State Warren Christopher may follow. On Syria, the job will be to see if Syria is even close to a proposal Mr. Rabin could accept.

Without the Soviet Union to back him up if he

decided to attack, Mr. Assad has no option but to deal or wait, hoping in time Israel will weaken politically, mili-tarily or emotionally. For a deal, his price would be what Mideastern dictators expect from America when they decide beastliness is not paying off this week: removal from the U.S. terrorist list, help against domestic enemies, "power balancing" against other Mideast dictators, trade, loans, arms, respectability, absolution for massacring their own people — the usual gift box.

Let's hope President Bill Chinon kicks the American

habit and refuses to prop up another tyrant, even if Israel so wishes. Mr. Assad may then try to block a separate Palestinian-Israel agreement.

And if Mr. Assad decides to go another 10 rounds or backs out altogether, the Israelis will have a pretty good consolation prize — the view from the heights. The New York Times.

### **Europeans Must Balance Jobs and Competitiveness**

LONDON — As they prepare for the Group of Seven summit meeting in Tokyo. European leaders are having to ask themselves an updated variant of an ancient question: Am I my brother's keeper?

Their answer may belp to decide wbether Western Europe bolds its own among the world's other great trading blocs, or cedes the high ground to competitors who come np with different responses.

In the run-up to Tokyo there is scant chance of the Enropeans straightening out their thinking on the broad choice they face: Whether to go on providing a long-term, Community-wide welfare structure for workers, or to shift the emphasis toward the need for raw-edged industrial competitiveness, regardless of the social impact that may have. But the debate is under way, and there is a rising demand for early resolution.

The argument is being waged against a somber background of unemployment in the European Community - 17 million jobless, and

trenched attitudes are crumbling.

The traditionalist camp is represented by Jacques Delors, president of the EC Commission, whose social-ist convictions tilt him toward concern for the quality of life of workers and fuel his commitment to the Com-munity's social chapter. Leadership of a radical alternative is being offered by Prime Minister John Major of Britain, to whom the social chapter is well-advertised anathema,

Mr. Major's opposition to the De-

lors approach to the Community's problems has its counterpart in his

servative government currently is sharpening its shears in preparation for what seem certain to be deep cuts in Britain's welfare state in the fall. The British Treasury currently is borrowing £1 billion a week to sustain existing social provisions. Mr. Major recognizes that the debt will drag down an already fragile British econ-

omy unless drastic cuts are ordered. By deploying arguments calculated to stick in Mr. Delors's craw, Mr. Major is extending to the European stage a similar approach, but couched in philosophical terms. Instead of openly attacking the 48-hour week, demanded by the EC Commission, and other worker gnarantees, he contrasts the Community's industrial per-formance with that of its leading com-petitors and invites the other leaders to

draw their own conclusions. In the last decade, the Community's share of the world's industrialized exports fell 10 percent. EC unit costs rose by 4 percent in the same period.

compared with a 1 percent rise in the United States and no increase at all in Japan, This has produced a labor cost structure in the Community 20 percent higher than in either country. The logic of such figures would

spark little opposition were it not for the social dynamite they contain. Mr. Major is saying it is more important to create new jobs for people than to maintain the existing labor force at the levels of prosperity and security to which it has grown accustomed.

It would be idle to argue that Eu-

rope can catapult itself into enhanced global competitiveness by being beast-ly to its workers. The flawed welfare structure of the United States helps to produce soaring levels of crime and social despondency; Mr. Delors is right to counsel the Community

against rushing down use some average What is needed is closer scrutiny of existing and future EC legislation that affects employment. It is no longer good enough to proceed on the as-sumption that social provisions, high wages and job protection for those ucky enough to be employed are a holy grail that must be protected without heed to the effect on industrial performance. Put another way, the choice may be between reducing the current levels of joblessness in the Community by a more flexible approach, and watching memployment climb inexorably toward 20 million.

There are signs that Mr. Delors may

have begun to absorb the Major message. At Copenhagen, he accepted that the Community's long-term mem-ployment problem was worse than that of its main trading rivals, al-though he continued to resist attempts

to modify its labor-protection laws.

Mr. Delors nonetheless has undertaken to produce a plan for economic recovery, including reform of the EC labor market, in time for the Comminity's next summit in December, Mr. Major has said he is certain that other European leaders have begun to accept the force of his case, and that Mr. Delors, too, will have to bend his

thinking in the British direction. Am I my brother's keeper? Mr. Major is offering an affirmative, but con-ditional reply: Unless workers expec-tations and Western Europe's industrial performance are brought into better balance, all the Community's brothers (and sisters) will be worse off in the long run.

The writer is a free-lance journalist and presenter of the BBC public affairs program "The World Tonight." He contributed this comment to the Inter-national Herald Tribune.

of Motives." They went to hear Pro-fessor Andrew Wiles deliver three lectures on "Modular Forms, Elliptic Curves and Galois Representations." At the end of the third lecture, Mr. Wiles noted that his presentation had just proved Fermat's Last Theorem, the most famous and clusive mathe-matical puzzle of the last 300 years. If Mr. Wiles's claim holds up, he will be hailed for his mathematical genius. He should be equally hailed

for his modesty. Dropping his bomb-shell at the end of a lecture is in itself an achievement in this age of hype. In science, modesty and genius do not coexist well. Einstein is perhaps the most famous exception to the rule. Yet even James Watson and Francis Crick, discoverers of the genetic code and not known for their modesty, proved themselves capable of one admirable, indeed immortal, act of understatement. Toward the end of their epic paper revealing the structure of DNA, they noted dryly: "It has not escaped our notice that the specific pairing (i.e., zipper-like structure of DNA) we have postulat-ed immediately suggests a possible copying mechanism for the replica-

Progress Can Take

356 Years

By Charles Kranthammer

WASHINGTON — Imagine you have some interest in biblical

archaeology and see advertised a lec-ture on, say, "Calibrated Radiocar-

to the lecture at the end of which the

speaker says. "And, oh, by the way, on Thursday I found the Holy Grall in the basement of a bed-and-break-

fast in downtown Jericho. Here it is."

Well, something comparable has happened in Cambridge, England, A

group of mathematicians attended a

conference on - hold on - "P-adic

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bon Chronology of Royal Judean Storage Jars," or some such. You go

tion of the genetic material."

For hundreds of years humans had known that hereditary traits are transmitted from perent to child. But they hadn't a clue as to how. Messrs. Watson and Crick had just provided it.

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Mr. Wiles, however, is due bomage not just for his genius and his modesty, but for his courage. Courage is not a quality one normally associates with mathematicians. Yet it should apply to people who work in their attics in secret for seven years without cease on a problem that has elud-

ed the greatest mathematical minds since first proposed in 1637. There are intellectual black holes, vortexes of endless regression, that mortals ought to stay clear of. Many mathematicians have felt that way about Fermat's Last Theorem.

It holds that while a square can be broken into two smaller squares -25 (the square of five) can be broken into 16 (the square of four) plus 9 (the square of three) — one cannot divide a cube into two smaller cubes, and for that matter, one cannot divide any higher power into two smaller trum-

bers of the same power. It is a proposition to vexing and mathematically profound that the French Academy of Sciences offered a gold medal and 300 francs for its

solution. That was in 1815. It is a proposition so famous that perhaps the one person on earth most grateful for the Wiles solution is Martin Kneser of the Gottingen Academy of Sciences. He administers another Fermat prize, the Wolfskehl prize (first offered in 1908, now 7,500 Deutsche marks). Which means that poor Mr. Kneser must fight his way through the "three meters of correspondence" from every crank on the planet who is sure he has bested Fermat.

How does he handle the mountain of mail? "In recent decades." wrote Mr. Kneser's predecessor, "it was handled in the following way: The Secretary of the Akademie divides the arriving manuscripts into (1) complete nonsense, which is sent back immediately, and into (2) material which looks like mathematics." The second category is given to young research assistants forced by poverty and induced by payment to search for the inevitable mistakes. One would be Fermat slaver sent half a solution and demanded 1,000 DM before he would produce the oth-

er half. Another also demanded money up front, promising 10 percent of the radio and TV take that would follow his fame and threatening, if denied, to send his solution to Russia. Consider what Mr. Wiles bas wrought. A generation of tormented German graduate students can go fishing. Mr. Kneser is free at last. Fermat is vindicated. And the rest of us are treated to a rare demonstration

that the hairless ape with the oppos-able thumb is still capable of some thing that deserves the name progress. Washington Post Writers Group.

#### IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1893: High-Price Opera

PARIS — It appears that the principal reason that Vendia "Faistaff" has not yet been played at the Paris Opera is a pecuniary one. The management of the Opera wished to produce the work through sheer love of art but the Italian impresario required 18,000 francs per performance for the orchestra, chorus and the artists of the Scala Theatre. This price was rather 100 much for MM. Gailhard and Bertrand, in spite of the fact that they desired to organise an Italian season.

1918: A July 4 Tribute

PARIS — M. Raymond Poincaré, President of the French Republic, yesterday [July 3] sent the following message to President Wilson on the occasion of Independence Day: "The Government of the Republic, with the unanimous agreement of the national representation and the country, has decided that to-morrow, America's Independence Day, shall

be a French Pête also. Paris is giving your glorious name to one of its most beautiful avenues and will chest America's valiant soldiers as they march past. In every city, large and small, the echo of these manifesta-tions of fraternity will ring."

1943: Women's Army WASHINGTON - From our New

York edition: President Roosevelt signed today [July 2] a bill establishing a Women's Army Corps, which is expected to absorb the 14 month old Women's Army Auxiliary Corps by Sept. 30, when the law creating the latter is automatically repealed. None of the members of the WAAC has had the opportunity to collst volun-tarily in the Army. The W.A.A.C. director, Mrs. Oveta Culp Hobbs. who will officially attain the rank of colonel under the new law, is expected to be the first member of the W.A.C. Other Wears have minety days to decide whether they want

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#### By Alexander MacLeod rising - but amid signs that en-

creation and erode competitiveness.

At the Community's Copenhagen summit last month, Mr. Major challenged the Delors prescription. "We must compete or we shall contract," he warned, and went on to argue that a good starting point would be rejection of employment arrangements that raise EC labor costs, hinder job

owo domestic difficulties. His Con-



### For a New Cuba, Drop the Embargo

By William Ratliff

and Roger Fontaine

ism will be back in some places, and

WASHINGTON — Foreign Minister Roberto Robaina of Cuba, in Beijing, has again called on Washington to drep its embargo of Cuba, which has for decades been the centerpiece of U.S. policy toward that country. President Bill Clinton should yawr, and do so unilaterally - without dignifying Fidel Castro by negotiating with him - simply because the embargo is now as anachronistic as the Cuban leader The change should be part of a policy denying aid to Cuba so long as the

Castro brothers are around.

As long as Fidel Castro supported Soviet (and Cuban) military objectives around the world, the embargo made strategic sense. But the Cold War is ever, and Mr. Castro now is not even a security irritant. He is just a perty dictator with a carefully craited image as the last holdout against "U.S. imperialism." This image is all Mr. Castro bas

left, and though it does not mean

mach to others today, it may in the

future. Anti-gringoism is at a low

ebb in most of Latin America now

because democracy and free mar-

kets are "in." But there will be barder times ahead, for some Latin

American reformers are likely to

fail, and their crities and replacements will say they fell prey to U.S.

impenalism. Then anti-American-

Fidel will again he a hero. So while Mr. Castro condemns the embargo and demands it be lifted, that is not what he really wants. since it would rob him of his American scapegoat and blunt his image. Current U.S. policy of strangling a gasping Mr. Castro to his final

breath enhances his martyr image. What the United States should do. as someone once put it, is "kill Fidel while he is still alive" by showing his irrelevance - by not negotiating with him - to the United States and the modern world. A former U.S. ambassador got the nuances just right when he said the United States should bomb Havana

with 100,000 Big Macs.

But there are other reasons to end the embargo: It would put U.S. policy on a parallel course with those of all other governments of the world. Mr. Castro will find it ever more difficult to blame the United States for all Cuba's problems — that is,

for evading his own personal re-sponsibility for his country's eco-

nomic malaise and the heavy re-

An end to the embargo almost certainly will permit a more peaceful transition in Cuba and the reintegration of Cuban Americans, who have much to contribute to the new Cuba. Pumping up tensions, on the other hand, could provoke a civil war — which Cubans on the island in particular do not want.

Mr. Castro is looking for nuclear

weapons and is suspected of having bacteriological weapons on missiles. To seal his anti-imperialist image, he may want to go out with a bang at the southern U.S. coast. If Cuban military leaders no longer believe Mr. Castro's warning of "After Fi-del, the Deluge," they are unlikely to follow his orders to commit suicide by attacking the United States.

It is time for America to get out of its Cold War box, stop playing do-mestic politics with foreign affairs, put the onus for Cuba's crisis on its own increasingly petty tyrant and help ease that nation's peaceful transition into the post-Soviet world.

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## In Tokyo, Business As Usual

#### 2 Ministers Admit Soliciting Firms

By T. R. Reid

Washington Past Service
TOKYO — With two weeks remaining before a national election that is focused on the issue of political corruption, leaders of Japan's dominant Liberal Democratic Party have been soliciting contribu-

tions from industries they regulate. Reports that the finance minister, Yoshiro Hayashi, sought money from banks and insurance companies, and that the construction minister, Kishiro Nakamura, sought construction industry contributions produced big headlines here on Friday — and exactly the kind of embarrassment the govern-

ing party does not need right now. Both officials said the reports were true. Both said what they did was legal and normal in Japanese politics. Politicians can accept corporate contributions up to a limit of \$450,000 per company per year.

Evidently, the business people who were solicited did not find this so normal. The Asahi Shimbun newspaper, which first reported the finance minister's effort, said it got the information from furious banking industry officials.

Prime Minister Kiichi Miyazawa's government lost a noconfidence vote two weeks ago over the issue of cleaning up Japan's recurrent pattern of political pay-offs. With a national election to pick a new parliament scheduled for July 18, all parties, including the Liberal Democrats, have based their campaigns on the pledge of "political reform."

The new reports suggest a deep cynicism on the governing party's part. While Liberal Democratic candidates have been vigorously campaigning against the influence of corporate money in politics, par-

### Poll of Europeans Shows Mistrust of Japan on Rise

TOKYO -- The number of European opinion leaders who think that Japan cannot be trusted is increasing, according to a government poll published Friday.

A total of 3,690 politicians, government officials, labor union leaders, scholars and journalists in Britain, Germany, France, Italy, Belgium, the Netherlands and Spain replied to the survey, carried out by Japan's Foreign Ministry.

One question was: "Do you think Japan can be trusted?"

In Britain and France, about 40 percent said they could not or

were not inclined to trust Japan, almost double that in the previous

In all the countries, the numbers of people who did not think Japan could be trusted increased from the previous poll. "People who trust Japan amount to about 80 percent on average. but there has been an increase in feelings of mistrust toward Japan in many countries," a Foreign Ministry spokesman said. The poll gave

no reasons for the increase. Many of those surveyed called for a reduction of Japan's rising trade surplus with Europe and called for Japan to improve its market access and expand domestic demand.

ty leaders were asking for additional corporate money. The leadership apparently felt that voters would

That assumption has been a safe one in the past. The Liberal Democratic Party - despite the name, it is the most conservative of Japan's major parties — has controlled ev-ery government and elected every prime minister here for 38 years.

But now, a roster of vigorous opposition parties and rage among voters threaten to end the Liberal Democrats' era. There is a good chance that the party will lose its majority, and a coalition of opposition groups will form the next

The new reports suggest that the party plans to use a big-spending thrust to carry the day in the elec-tion. Few of the nine opposition parties have any significant fund-

ing for the campaign.

But in today's Japan, political penury can be a political asset. This is a society that now deplores any-thing having to do with wealth. year's runaway nonfiction best-seller, a book that has had a huge impact on popular culture, is entitled "The Ideal of Honest Pov-

Accordingly, most opposition capable of keeping Japan on the party candidates in the current right track.

campaign never miss a chance to tell voters how small their campaign treasuries are. The Liberal Democrats, in contrast, evidently hope to spend their way to victory.

Political contributions are used in Japan as a kind of income-distribution scheme. Since Japanese candidates run short campaigns and do not use TV ads, the actual campaign can be fairly inexpensive. Politicians use their contributions, instead, to finance a steady stream of cash gifts to constituents.

The Liberal Democratic Party is evidently betting that the voters would rather perpetuate that system than put strict new limits on

■ Parties Reject Coalition Four Japanese opposition party chiefs, citing ruling party corrup-tion, rejected Mr. Miyazawa's plea on Friday to join a coalition after the election, Reuters reported from

In a public debate at the National Press Club, Mr. Miyazawa said the election presented a choice between stability and dangerous adventure, implying that the Liberal Democratic Party was the only one

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#### **VOTE:** April Date Is Set

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years, currently runs a distant sec-ond in polls to the ANC, which expects to win an outright majority in April from an electorate that is 75 percent black.

Negotiators for the government and ANC have yet to resolve whether the coalition cabinet will govern on a straight majoritarian basis, or whether there will be a form of minority veto.

The setting of an election date comes as the most important milestone so far in the transition from apartheid to democracy - but it has come at a high cost. About 10,000 South Africans have died in political violence since Mr. de Klerk released Mr. Mandela from prison in February 1990.

The April 27 date was negotiated in a forum that includes 26 political organizations representing South Africa's bright rainbow of color, race, ideology, geography and eth-nicity. It has been meeting, on and

off, for 18 months. Seven of the 26 parties did not agree to Friday's step, arguing that an election date should not be fixed until South Africans know the kind of state that they will be asked to vote for.

Two of the most powerful dis-senters — the black, Zuin-based Inkatha Freedom Party and the white, Afrikaner-based Conservative Party — walked out of the negotiating forum in protest, but made clear they would be back at the table with a second party of the table with table wi the table when negotiations resume in two weeks.

The Conservatives and Inkatha are pressing for the new South Africa to have a weak central government, out of their mutual fear of the ANC's electoral strength.

The Conservative Party is also pushing for a separate nation for white Afrikaners - a demand that has no chance of being satisfied, and that could lead to acts of sabotage and terror.

Inkatha wants a confederal arrangement, in which the powers of the regions supersede the powers of the central government. Its support base is heavily concentrated in Natal, one of South Africa's four prov-

## Fred Gwynne, of TV's 'Munsters,' Dies

Australian War Here BALTIMORE - Fred Gwynne,

66, an actor whose Lincolnesque physique and dour face delight audiences of television's "Car 54, Where Are You?" and "The Munsters," died of cancer Friday. Mr. Gwynne began his career

with the Broadway production of "Mrs. McThing" with Helen Hayes in 1952 and he went on to alternate between stage, screen and television for the next 40 years.
His movie career included roles

as a mobster in "The Cotton Club," a thief in "Disorganized Crime" and a co-worker of Michael Douglas in "Fatal Attraction. He also wrote and illustrated

children's books and did voice work for commercials. From 1961 to 1963, he played Officer Francis Muldoon in "Car 54, Where Are You?" as one of a pair of New York City cops. Joe E.

Officer Gunther Toody. In 1964, he began a run as Herman Munster in "The Munsters," playing a comic Frankenstein.

Ross was his short, chubby partner

Sir Edward Dunlop,

MELBOURNE (Combined Dispatches) - Sir Edward Dunlop, 85, an Australian war hero whose feats of surgery saved the lives of hun-dreds of Allied prisoners-of-war in Japanese camps, died here Friday of a stroke.

He was known universally by his nickname, Weary, despite his rank of colonel, and was revered for his untiring efforts to ease the suffering of Australian and other prisoners of war forced by Japanese troops to build the infamous Burma-Thailand railroad.

"Weary was part of us," said Tom Uren, a former Australian government minister and one of the prisoners led by Colonel Dunlop in 1942-43. "Not only was he a great doctor but he really was a great leader." Colonel Dunlop treated wounds with homemade surgical implements and was often beaten

for defending the rights of his men.

George Alford Stacey, Designer for Wealthy

NEW YORK (NYT) — George Alford Stacey, 91, a designer who decorated the homes of socially prominent Americans for more than half a century, died June 25 in

New York City.
Mr. Stacey's clients included John Hay Whitney, Vincent Astor, Ward Cheney, Harold K. Guinzburg, W. Averell Harriman, William S. Paley and Ava Gardner. Dr. Harry Wallerstein, **Blood Transfusion Expert** 

NEW YORK (NYT) - Dr. Harry Wallerstein, 87, who originated a type of blood transfusion that saved the lives of countless newborn infants, died Saturday in Port Chester, New York, of heart fail-

Dr. Walterstein and a colleague, Dr. Walter Levy, performed the first exchange transfusion in 1945. The procedure replaces the infant's blood and makes possible the survival of babies born to parents whose blood is Rh incompatible.

Sophia Yarnall Jacobs, 91, a life-long advocate of civil and human rights, died Wednesday in Northeast Harbor, Maine, of heart failure. Mrs. Jacobs was former president of the Urban League of Greater New York and the National Council of Women.

Madeleine Marshall Simon, 93, a singing coach and concert pianist who taught English diction at the Juilliard School of Music for more than half a century, died Sunday in New York City of a heart attack.

Hector Lavoe, 46, a salsa singer. died Tuesday in New York of car-diac arrest. Mr. Lavoe, who was born in Puerto Rico, first found work as a singer with Johnny Pa-checo and the Orchestra New Yorkers. One of his hits was "Mi Gente," written by Mr. Pacheco and taken as an anthem of Hispan-

Robert Currie, 45, a designer of commercial and residential interiors, sets for television and print advertisements, died Wednesday in New York of AIDS.

### **AMERICAN**

#### **TOPICS**

#### Professor Takes Aim At Lewd Comments

In an article that has attracted national attention since it ap-peared in The Harvard Law Review in January, Professor Cynthia Grant Bowman of Northwestern University law school wants to make street harassment of women - sexual comments, catcalls and wolf whistles -- a misdemeanor pun-

ishable by a fine of up to \$250. Ms. Bowman said she did not expect that such ordinances would lead to large-scale arrests but that it would have a "deterrent effect.

A California state senator, Tom Hayden, has incorporated some of the Bowman proposals into a sexual harassment bill he is sponsoring in the state legisla-

But the idea has been criticized by advocates of free speech. Isabelle Katz Pinzler, director of the women's project at the American Civil Liberties Union, said lewd comment is a political statement.
"It is a political message I hate,"
she said. "Still, we have to defend
political speech that we hate."

#### Short Takes

After two decades of hostility the two biggest U.S. teachers' unions, the 2.1-million-member National Education Association and the 820,000-member American Federation of Teachers, are talking about combining their strength in a merger.

A few years ago, fully 85 per-cent of commercial aidine pilots had learned to fly in the military. But this will drop to one-third by ing, that the balloon was too low,

the end of this decade as the defense establishment shrinks, the Los Angeles Times reports. And new technologies will require pi-lots to be more computer whiz and less Top Gun. One pilot told the Times that soon, "There will be a 55-year-old pilot who's afraid to turn on his kid's computer at home sitting next to a 25year-old computer whiz with su-personic fingers. You'll have people from two different cultures, and there's no question there are going to be problems."

Police in Arvada, Colorado, are considering homicide charges against the Bungee America com-pany. A spokesman for the North American Bungee Association said the company let William Brotherton, 20, jump from a teth-ered hot air balloon 190 feet (58 meters) above a field with a cord that was 70 feet too long. The spokesman said the ground crew tried to warn the pilot, by shoutand that radios should have been

General Milis plans to add "X's" to its O-shaped Cheerios, the first time the cereal has taken a new shape since it was intro-duced as "Cheerioats" in 1941 --but only on the largest, 20-ounce (570-gram) "family size" boxes, and only until October. Customers can use a game board on the back of the box and choose from other games on the side panel, all X and O-related. This, The New York Times notes, will provide an alternative to breakfast-table cereal-box reading.

Shawn Williams, the 7-foot 6-inch center for the Brigham Young University basketball team, has been drafted by the Philadelphia 76ers. Pat Williams, general manager of the Orlando Magic, wisecracked: "He's a lifeguard in the off-season. He can't swim, but he's great at wading."

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## A Sensation in Sèvres for Collectors

International Herald Tribune ONDON - The auction scene is bursting with new life. With the speculators gone and the old art pros back in full control, the market has never been such fun. At Christie's this week, it was a treat to watch them all alert, determined, knowing what they wanted and for how much, as porcelain from Sevres. Vincennes and Germany, later followed by early faience, came up

Prices have found their natural elasticity once again. Gone are the bad recent days when naive beginners slavishly followed the printed estimates, unaware that some may reflect a profit-oriented vendor's desires as

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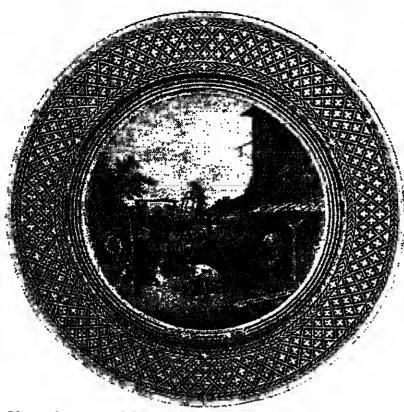
much as anything else. The new attendance, which is the old constituency of true collectors, curators and the dealers catering to their needs, does things its own way, displaying considerable zest wherever the occasion

There was a telling contrast right at the beginning. A modest set of four Vincennes pieces made in the 1750s sold under the low estimate, on just one bid for £2,990 (\$4,500). And that was good enough for pieces decorated in the same style with birds fluttering in white reserves, surrounded by deep lapis blue with a gold trellis sumulating pebbles -they were not born together but assembled in this century. Add that the decoration on one is of a later period, as noted in the catalogue.

The next lot, on the contrary, wonderful and rare, graciously sailed to its high esti-mate, ending up at £34,500. The water jug and basin decorated around 1752 by Jean-Claude Duplessis combine perfection of form with lightness in the decor, in touches of gold, blue and dainty polychromy for the sparsely applied floral sprays on a white ground. Charles Truman, formerly of the Victoria & Albert Museum and currently busily expanding the antique department at Asprey's, says it is the one piece he would have loved for himself.

The string of banalities that followed for a while would have floundered in any weak market. Their success is the best evidence of a quasi-bullish mood. The pair of contorted Vincennes vases decorated around 1755 with the most conventional landscapes must have delighted their seller as they climbed to a thumping £4.025. So should a Sevres rose set of a teapor, a cup and saucer, and a tray painted in 1760 with landscapes that place them all in the chocolate-box league. They did really well at £3.450, even if Christie's boldly suggested this as the "low" estimate,

Indeed, the consistent overquoting that professionals such as Truman say they detected in Christie's printed estimates could have backfired had the market not been so buoyant. As it was, overestimation only



Sèvres plate, part of the Service des Arts Industriels (1820 to 1835).

plates, is a quirk in ceramic history. Created

few of its specimens have been recorded in

four plates, and a collector who remains

All the pieces illustrate various stages of

all the crafts and manufacturing activities practiced in France at the time. Antoinette

Hallé, director of the Musée National de

Céramique and a leading expert in French 19th-century porcelain, said in an interview

that the endeavor encapsulates the approach

of the Encyclopédistes. The project was con-

ceived hy Alexandre Brongniart, then the director of the Manufacture Royale de

Sèvres, whose father, the famous architect

Théodore Brongniart, belonged in the Ency-

The younger Brongniart commissioned the best painter in Sevres manufacture, Jean-

Charles Develly, to travel around manufac

tures and workshops in the Paris area and

record his observations in original drawings.

Many of these survive in the Sevres archives.

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served to conceal, ironically enough, the extent of the success scored by the anction house. A delightful plate from the service executed at Sevres in 1793 for a "M. Sudell Anglais," hardly justified a £3,000 to £5,000 estimate. With all the charm it owes to its yellow-and-black bird, "Troupialle jaune à calotte noire de Cayenne" as a neatly written cartouche tells us, an estimate lower by one third at least would have been in order. It sold well at £3,680.

This also applies to more ambitious lots such as a Sevres water jug and basin painted in 1780 with simpering shepherdesses in Pompadour-taste landscapes. The gaudy colors, considered a plus in that class of wares, sent it climbing to £29,900, which is highly satisfactory from the seller's standpoint. But the unrealistic £30,000 to £40,000 estimate could have wrecked it by acting as a deterrent.

Only when the day's sensation came up did Christie's estimate seem low. It could hardly have been otherwise with the 24 blueground plates made at Sevres between 1820 and 1835 as part of the "Service des Arts Industriels," as it was called.

The production of this service, known through the Sevres manufacture records to Develly sketched individual craftsmen at have numbered 162 pieces of which 119 were work and drew each type of tool.

The precision in the observation was matched by the elaborate technique devised in make the plates. In order to transfer his drawings, Develly would ruh graphite over the back of the drawing, which he applied to the ceramic surface. He went over it with a pointed tool, then painted the outline broadly, put the piece into the kiln, had a second go at painting for details and corrections, and put the piece into the kiln for a second firing. In several cases, more than two firings were required to obtain the finished result - painted scenes of quasi-photographic neatness.

This may not be great art (connoisseurs found the garishness of the heavily gilt rims insufferable), but as a visual record of French society and economic activity, it is unique.
Once completed, the service, which was never intended for sale, was eventually presented by King Louis-Philippe in the Austrian chancellor, Prince von Metternich, and later belonge to the royal house of Romania. How much of it survives is unknown. The 24 plates turning up out of the blue, consigned to Christie's by "a gentleman" whose identity has not been disclosed, galvanized two museums and one collector into action.

HE Musée National, bidding through an agent, acquired 13 plates. Two of these cost the museum £24,050 each, three times the middle estimate. The underbidder on both was Eric Turner of the Victoria & Albert, representing the Power House Museum in Sydney as a friendly agent. Eventually the Australian institution got the plate illustrating the process of impressing patterns on fabrics for £13,800, "only" twice the high estimate. Most of the others went in Bernard as a single set never replicated, remarkably Dragesco of Paris, Jane Abdy and Sarah Heaton. The London trade is abuzz with the this century. The Musée National de Céra-mique at Sèvres has six plates and two ice rumor that the English dealers were bidding for an Arab prince residing in France. coolers, the Boston Museum of Fine Arts

This is not to say that huyers careful not to overspend stood no chance that day. They did when it came to maiolica, a field that has recently been deserted by the big players,

A splendid albarello decorated with formal motifs in Faenza or Naples around 1500 could be had for £6,325. This is downright cheap. Nor was a pictorial plate made in Urbino in 1533, as the underglaze inscription on the back states, overpriced at £23,000. But the real coup was a Spanish bowl painte with the figure of a draped woman. Done in Paterna around 1400 in a primitive style with a cartoon touch, it is painted in a very Syrian palette (manganese brown, turquoise, white), not remotely connected with Iznik in Turkey as the catalogue suggests. Sold out of context, it belongs to a category now so rare that few respond when it does turn up. At £1,725, it was an inspired buy, some restoration notwithstanding. Some sharp-eyed old-timer must be chuckling with mirth right now.

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### Queen Mum's Gates

By Claire Frankel

ONDON - At a south London foundry, David Wynne was standing on scaffolding about 20 feet above my head, paintbrush in hand, clearly pleased. He'd mixed just the right purple to outline the gold centers of the pink roses and was putting the finishing touches to his extraordinary gate.

Costing £1.5 million (\$2.2 mil-

lion), this joyful commemoration of the 90th birthday of Queen Eliz-abeth the Queen Mother will be opened in Hyde Park by Queen Elizabeth II on Tuesday. (The Queen Mum's 90th was two years ago, but the commemoration was elayed because of the fund-raising

A red lion ("the lion is always red — that's why most of England's pubs are called the Red Lion') and white unicorn, supporters to the royal arms, are dancing in carefree mood around a rose tree, a sort of English tree of life. Because anything to do with a park in a capital must relate to children, Wynne wanted them to be surprised by something new each time they looked at the gates.

A mouse and a checky weasel peek around a nearby mushroom. To the right, a fat, blue salmon leaps through tall black grasses and stylized waves (the Queen Mum was a great fisherwoman). Looking up through leafy branches with full-blown pink roses, the eye lights on the smallest English bird, the wren, then a blue tit, a pheasant, a dove, hawk, canary, parrot, a generously-trailing purple peacock and in the middle of this dazzling aviary, a woodpecker. "It's all done for fun, "says Wynne. "It's not a big deal, nothing to do with anything very serious."

David Wynne is an enthusiast, a cigar-smoking bon viveur, vital, curious and intelligent. An alumnus. of Trinity College, Cambridge, his conversation sparkles with apt throw-away lines from Dr. Johnson to Lutyens. He moves easily in the highest echelons of society, and perhaps that ease coupled with un-



Gates will mark the Queen Mother's 90th birthday...

deniable talent has allowed him the luxury of working without a gallery or an agent. "I wouldn't dream of doing anything I didn't enjoy," he

Behind an ebullient spirit is a

man of extraordinary versatility and professionalism in his approach to work. The endpapers of the recently published book. The Sculphire of David Wynne 1974-1992 give a cine to his meticulousness. They reproduce a detailed drawing of the bone structure of an elephant with accompanying notes: "5 toes front — 4 back spreading on contact", "ears 2m vertical, 1.5m length max." Wynne had done his usual homework spending three weeks in Botswana modeling elephants in plasticene, getting to know his subject. "I must do them justice; they must be alive." He has swum with the dolphins (one of many, the familiar bronze "Boy With a Dolphin" glides freely in Massachusetts, Texas, Minnesota and London), rode raceborses for a number of commissions and lived with grizzly bears in the Rocky Mountains before sculpting a 26-ton black marble one now residing in Purchase,

Wynne is unlikely to become a cult figure, a status realized by three of his sons with their rock group, Oznic Tentacles. He is a representational sculptor of great ver-

satility, working in sizes ranging from a small gold ring to a 30-ton marble carving. The words most often used to describe his work. whether animal or portrait head, is elchration.

The new gates are a celebration. too. One of the difficulties was to make them big and strong enough and still look airy and fun. The work weighs a ton and a half. The stainless steel shaft of the tree reaches 3 feet into the ground and streches to the top of the fork of the tree, 21 feet up. The gate is a great deal more subtle than it looks. The bronze objects had to be made in two halves, one for each side, the lion and the unicorn must have two faces: one way the lion's head turns over his shoulder looking to the right but on the reverse, he looks the other way.

The project took nearly three years to complete. It was Prince Michael of Kent who first suggest ed that his aunt's longevity be marked in this way - no permanent structure exists in England for this popular lady. The only monument put up this century by public subscription, the money took some time to collect. And then the superabundance of committees. "In a constitutional monarchy, the Queen Mum and Prince Michael are NOT enough," says Wynne.

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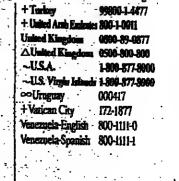
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### Embers Under the Ashes Dark Passion of Pinchus Krémègne

By Michael Gibson

ARIS — History can sometimes be un-fair. Consider the case of Pinchus Kre-

sively to the United States, the

Russian government refused to grant them passports. Kri-mègne's goal, however, was not. America but Paris. The other clandestine migrants thought that was bilarious. A few days later, he stepped

off the train at the Gare de l'Est in Paris. He could not speak a word of French, but made his way through the city chitching a scrap of paper on which were written the words "La Ruche." This was the haven in Montper-nasse where so many penniless Russian artists found shelter in those days. There he settled in. In time he wrote his friend

Chaim Soutine, who had stayed on in Vilnius, urging him to come: In France, he told him, Jews were respected as human Soutine and Kremegne had

first met when they were chil-dren, and Soutine had joined his friend at the Vilnius School of Fine Arts, where Kremegne was then studying sculpture. It was Soutine to French painting (he had given up sculpture by then), and the injustice of history is the

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and the injustice of history is that the older artist has since been dismissed as an imitator of Son-

Life was not easy at first. The two friends were so broke that they avoided even looking into cafes as they stunk past. They did not have enough money for a cup of coffee and dreaded that friends might hail them. But an old Russian tailor befriended them and fed them when they were

One of their first collectors was Police Commissioner Zamaron, a bohemian in his own way, who spent his evenings chatting with artists at La Ro-tonde and amissed hundreds of paintings by Mo-digliani, Chagall, Utrillo, Founts and Soutine. (He had to sell them, ultimately, to pay his gambling

debts.)

At La Ruche, Kremègne met Modigham, Later in life, Kremègne spoke of him with great warmin, scorning the various rusquartic bales told of this life. He witnessed the Italian artist's alcoholic decline and inherited his last pair of sinces. "He had only worn them two of three times, "Kremègne once told the critic Jean-Paul Crespelle," but the first time I put them on, they took me straight to a bistro!"

It was thanks to the collector Paul Gmillaume that Kremegne got his first whilf of success. But he was to be outshone by Somine, whose success was assered from the day his paintings struck the lancy of Dr. Albert C. Barnes, the prominent American

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become successful by then, Sontine, in spite of Kremegne's repeated urgings, balked at selling a painting to help a friend in need. The Russian tailor who fed them when they were hard up; had come down with tuberculosis and needed treatment. From that day on, if someone mentioned Soutine, Krimegne

would mutter: "Soutine? Never beard of him." As the 70 paintings at the Pavillon des Arts (to Sept. 5) make clear, the substance of Kremegne's art resides in his unusual use of color. At a time when so many artists (with the notable exception of Rouanit), favored pure, almost primary colors, Kremegne's palette was more expressionistically rich, its tone more somber, and there is a certain stubborn melancholy in the blending of brown and gray and fuchsia into even the

most luminous sides.

The subject matter does not reach beyond the standard repertory of landscape, still life, portrait and mide. The tacitum Krenegne would paint an apple with a dark passion, till all the

them, like embers under ashes. tine's. If anything, it was the other way around — In 1939, before World War II swooped down on at the outset at least.

France Krisnesse packed his wife and child off to France, Kremegne packed his wife and child off to Sweden — she was Swedish and had been nanny to the Nobel children. He made it to safety in Ceret, in the Pyrences where they had acquired a house. When the German Army took over the somhern part of France, Kremegne was sent to

work on a farm. The sympathetic French farmer

allowed him time to paint

colors were dirty, and the subject glowed beneath

After the war, Kremegne returned to Paris to find his studio miraculously intact. The artist was find his studio miraculously mack. The artist was only 55, but the war had marked a great divide. Soutime had died in 1943; Kreinègae survived him for almost 40 years — he died in 1981. But, to a France emerging from a great spiritual crisis, he was already part of the past. He lacked Picasso's protean talent and continued painting in much the same vein as he had in the '30s.

Kremegne deserves a reappraisal, and the time seems ripe. He remains one of the historical figures of that great immigration of Jewish artists from Russia who transformed Western painting in the first decades of this century. He should not be

### Dubuffet's Rude, Universal Charm

By Michael Kimmelman New York Times Service

Little to 150

ASHINGTON -From beginning to end, the Jean Dubnifet exhibition at the Hirshhorn Museum is a pleasure to see. Has any other artist strived so hard to seem rude and irascible and

yet spread so much pleasure?

It was the central paradox of Dubuffet's career that he both debunked the art establishment more vigorously and received more encomiums from it than probably any European artist of his generation. He made his debut in Paris to Janfare in 1944, his wit and mischievousness apparently proving to be just what that enervated city needed after years of deprivation and humiliation. From then until his death in 1985, at the age of 83. Dubuffet enjoyed the kind of rec-

ognition artists mostly dream of.
The man whose paintings were
said to represent the antithesis of the School of Paris became that city's most esteemed artist. When the Jeu de Pairme reopened there two years ago as a center for contemporary art, it sought to establish its own stature by basking in Dubuffer's, dedicating its inaugu-ral exhibition to his late work.

And now there is this show at the Hirshhorn, through Sept. 12. With nearly 100 works, it is the most extensive Dubuffer exhibition in the United States in 20 years, Organized by the museum's director, James T. Demetrion, it concentrates on the period from 1943 to 1963, the most fruitful of Dubuffet's artistic life, just before he settled into "L'Hourloupe," the series of paintings and sculptures that was his attempt at a universal kind of public art.

He succeeded almost too well. For years, Dubuffet produced the mostly cheerful jigsaw composi-tions that defined the series, until his art came to seem almost as ubiquitous and predictable as Mc-Donald's. The self-declared antiestablishment man became something of a big business. But before then, during the years on which this exhibition concentrates, he applied his contentious energy to the creation of one series after another of still surprising audacity.

He was born in 1901 in Le Havre, a port city that had nourished many artists, including Boudin and Braque, but Dubuffet always him. His dream, he once an-nounced with characteristic provocation, was to eliminate all the li-braries and museums and erect in Twice Dubuffet made aborted branes and museums and erect in the center of every town a statue stabs at art; the third my stuck. In commemorating oblivion. "Let us 1942 he abandoned his career as a abolish the past and all that comes



Jean Dubuffet's "Cow With the Beautiful Muzzle," on view in Washington.

Dubuffet was hardly the first to say so. But when he said it, he had the momentum of history behind him. It was not coincidental that his career took off at the same time that the writings of Sartre, Camus claimed that the tradition of high and Orwell gained widespread at-art they upheld meant nothing to tention and that Francis Bacon, Alberto Burri and Lucio Fontana began to make their own marks on the

> wine merchant to take up painting. Ever the dutiful businessman, and

ironist, he sent notes to clients in- point out that his incendiary thetoforming them of his "new line of ric was one thing and his work business, pictures." Within months another. He may have aspired to be had completed his first works. the condition of Art Brui, but be Little wonder they astonished the remained a Parisian intellectual. critics when they were publicly ex-hibited shortly thereafter. For one compares Dubuffet's work with acthing, Dubuffet's sources, he insisted, were not the reigning masters, it now is called, which has once like Picasso, but the madmen, dereagain become fastionable in this licts, prisoners, children and mar-politicized climate of insiders and ginal figures whose art be had come

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By Henry Steele Commager, 130 pages, \$24.95. University of Mis-

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Investors

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Of IBM

NEW YORK — International Business Machines Corp.'s stock was under pressure Friday after in-

dustry sources said the computer company was likely to double the already-luge number of layoffs it

already-huge number of layoffs it planned for this year.

The sources said many more than the targeted 25,000 employees had accepted offers of financial incon-

tives to leave the company and IBM

would accommodate up to 50,000.
On the New York Stock Exchange, IBM fell \$1.125 a share, to \$48,125. Since 1987, the stock has

damped from a high of \$175.

Reports that IBM would sharply

increase its planned layoffs this year have circulated for months. A pub-lished report in the United States

focused attention on the company

Friday, putting the expected number of job cuts at 50,000 and saying IBM was considering a \$2 billion charge in connection with the move.

IBM refused to comment on the

report, but industry sources con-firmed the general details. The

charge reportedly is to be an-nounced July 27, with IBM's sec-

ond-quarter earnings. The company had a weak first quarter, although it

was in line with expectations; it had

a \$285 million loss as revenue fell 7 percent, to \$13.1 billion, largely re-

ilecting weak sales in Europe.
The slide in IBM's stock Friday

prospects for layoffs, with investors perceiving that a company cutting its costs has identified and is deal-

ing with its problems.
But frustration with IBM's re-

peated and apparently still unsuc-

cessful efforts may prompt some

investors to sell, one trader said before the market opened.

How many times have they

done this in the last year? he said.
"IBM lays off people and they shill

A company spokesman said
IBM was still compiling data from
a previously announced job-cutting

a previously announced job-chiling program that ended on June 30.

Last month, an analyst at Salomon Brothers Inc. said IBM would take a charge of as much as \$5.4 hillion to trim jobs and other costs.

John Jones, the analyst, also said the company might reduce its quarterly dividend from the current 54 cents a

share. In January, IBM trimmed its

Over the past two years, IBM has cut about 80,000 jobs. The reduc-

tions have been achieved largely through voluntary buyouts, al-

though the company recently aban-

dooed a loogstanding policy

against forced layoffs. At the end of last year, its early-retirement packages had cut its work force to

300,000 from a peak of 407,000 in

IBM's problems include slumping sales of mainframe computers, for years its leading line, and its loss of

market share in personal computers. (AP, Reuters, Bloomberg)

By Jeanne B. Pinder

New York Times Service FISHER ISLAND, Florida —

surance company, is one of the key

targets for a wave of international buyers taking advantage of rela-tively low U.S. real estate prices for

water from Miami. About half the

sales now are to non-U.S. citizens,

said John E. Riordan, president of

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This small island near Miami, developed and owned by a failed insurance company, is one of the key

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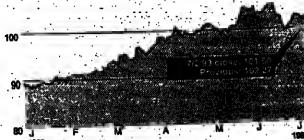
this year, too, as they are for luxury and South American resorts.

ws second homes and other huxury waterfront developments around the city has made

dividend from \$1.21 a share.



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### ECONOMIC SCENE

### The Economic Promise Of the Land of Palestine

By Peter Passell New York Times Service

HW YORK — "I don't think we've invented some-thing," said Hisham Awartani, a researcher at An-Najah National University in the West Bank territory occupied by Israel and a member of a group of senior Israel by Israel and a member of a group of senior Israel by Israel and a member of a group of senior Israel Palestinian and Jordanian economists who have just issued a report on the viability of an autonomous Palestinian economy. "What we concluded was more or less known to all sides," he

Said.

But Mr. Awartani is too modest. The report, produced under the anspices of the Institute for Social and Economic Policy at Harvard University, offers a glimmer of light in the gloom of the stalled.

turkey about the economics of the unborn state may be a harbinger of diplomatic advances to territories have come. At the very least it suggests that Palestine would be better potential.

than most new nations.
On first look, the West Bank territory and the tiny Gaza Strip do not appear to have the makings for a viable economy. Both are short on water and arable land, neither contains natural resources

With unemployment pushing 30 percent and more than a third of with unemployment pushing 30 percent and more than a third of the work force employed in Israel before new restrictions were imposed in December 1992, Palestinians are dependent for survival on help from their enemies as well as their friends. Total output in the territories is just \$1,350 a person.

But Stanley Fischer, the former chief economist of the World Bank who served as co-chairman of the Harvard project's steering committee, thinks the territories' potential should be clear to anyone who knows what to look for. Educational levels are higher than the low output would suggest and the work force is very productive relative to the wage rates.

When not strangled by regulation, small businesses thrive. Per-haps most significant, the territories straddle Israel, a natural market for Palestinian farms and light industry.

What would it take, beyond peace, to jump-start growth? The what would it take, beyond peace, to jump-start growth? The report, distributed last week in Jerusalem, lists a handful of essentiation. tials; monetary stability, regional coordination of tax and customs

See PALESTINE, Page 11

### On the Brink in Vietnam Reforms Also Bring Bankruptcies On Stock

By Kevin Murphy International Herald Tribune HANO! - The struggling

Tran Hung Dao Engineering Plant, a small state-owned engine maker, could be a candidate for bankruptcy — whenever Victnam's Nacional Assembly passes its new bankruptcy legis-

Like many other state-owned enterprises finding life radically different since the start of Vietnam's doi moi, or economic liberalization, Tran Hung Doa Engiocering Plant must confront

complex choices in 1993.

The business, like many others, faces collapse now that the government allows foreign imports and has moved to cut off the choices and concessional leaves. absidies and concessional loans to the state-owned enterprises. But, in a move that would give a major boost to Hanor's eco-

nomic recovery, President Bill Clinton is set soon to drop U.S. opposition to a Vietnamese request to refinance debts of \$140 nillion with the International Monetary Fund. Tran Hung Dao and other such companies are running out of money — an estimated balf of

the businesses have gone to the wall. And the government's am-bitious privatization scheme for the survivors is also running out Six of seven companies ear-marked last year for early priva-

By Celestine Bohlen

New York Times Service

annual meeting of leaders of the seven leading industrial

nations, President Boris N. Yehsin will come bearing

According to both government and independent statistics, the report eard on Russia's wrenching economic transformation is looking better now than it did three months ago when the finance and foreign ministers of the Green of Seven nations met in Japan to

ters of the Group of Seven nations met in Japan to approve an aid package for Russia totaling \$43 billion.

Inflation, which early last spring looked as if it was hortling towards the hyperinflation benchmark, has cooled to less then 20 pages 1 appears 1.

cooled to less than 20 percent a month. This week, Finance Minister Boris G. Fyodorov predicted that

test on its commitment to fiscal austerity.

Some critics have argued that the IMF, under pres-

sure from Washington, has lowered its lending stan-dards to favor Russia. But so far, the Russian govern-

Jet Set Lands on an Island Near Miami

ment has managed more or less to stay the course.

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news Russia's creditors will be happy to hear,

MOSCOW - Invited as the extra man at oext week's

tization through a sale of their stock are no longer on the block because their workers, managers or governing bodies have balked, or because the companies' value or ownership has been 100 diffi-

Of 11 companies added to the list this year, only two have gained approval to begin seiling shares that eventually will be tradable on a stock exchange planned for Ho Chi Minh City, which could open by year's end.

The Tran Hung Doa Engineering Plant and others face collapse now that the

government allows foreign imports.

But the speed of collapses and apparent slowing of privatiza-tion are judged a mixed blessing by Le Dang Doanh, vice presi-dent of the Central Institute for Economie Management and one of the leading intellectuals behind Victnam's broad-ranging economic reforms. Difficulties with privatization in the former Soviet Union, Vietnam's main benefactor, have been noticed by

Russia Will Come to Summit

Bearing Good Economic News

This was one of several indicators being watched by international financial institutions, as they prepare to international financial institutions, as they prepare to consider the subsidies and allowed to go that this week the International Monetary Eurod.

Just this week, the International Monetary Fund bankrupt. Unemployment is said only a bankrupt. Unemployment

opposition is expected to come next September, provided Russia continues to keep spending under control.

Russia continues to keep spending under control.

Negotiations on an IMF stand-by agreement for a further \$3 to \$5 billion in loans are due to follow in the

fall, when Russia will be expected to pass a tougher production will begin to turn around next year. "I am

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The 220-acre (88-hectare) island offers only condominiums. While

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ers in the first three years of the

development's existence, interna-tional sales have grown in the last three years to the point where

about 40 percent of its 450 resident

families are foreign.
Mr. Riordan said 38 countries are

"A iot of these companies will not survive," said Mr. Doanh of an impending rationalization in which the Vietnam Chamber of Commerce and lodustry expects at least 3,000 of 12,000 remaining state-owned businesses to cisappear. "But we like to think it will be a creative destruction."

One such victim may be the Tran Hung Doa Engineering Plant. Before 1989, the factory successfully sold 12-horsepower agricultural engines that it pioneered more than 30 years ago with a proven Communist-era formula: one model, few frills, a government-set price and no

competition.

Although management makes up 25 percent of its large work force. Tran Hung Doa has ap-parently been blindsided by the new operating conditions.

new operating conditions.

The government granted it 800 million dong (\$75 million) for new machinery and waivers from new taxes, but the engine maker lost 3 million dong over the past

"Ordinary Vietnamese oeed to learn about shareholding compa-nies," Mr. Doanh said. "We have a million private businesses but only 1,400 shareholding companies. It will take time, but reform is a gradual approach in Viet-

The government recently an-See COLLAPSE, Page 13

Although Russian industry is now being reorga-

"It is going to require a major political and econom-

ic effort to maintain the present course," said Charles

Blitzer, chief economist for the World Bank's Moscow

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meter) unit, Mr. Riordan said.

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for Europeans, given the level of quality and given the fact that

prices in Moote Carlo, Portofino

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52,000 a square foot, this is not

Fisher Island is not the only prop-

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ternationalization of Miami. Other

high-end developments, such as the

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seen as excessive."

Fisher Island is also famous for

Alicia Cervera Jr., who sells luxury apartments, said: "It used to be that when the Brazilians came, for example, you had to learn Porting the stand of the stand

## **EC Forgoes** Retaliation for U.S. Import Levy

By Tom Buerkle International Herald Tribune

BRUSSELS - European Community foreign ministers oo Friday condemned the recent imposition of anti-dumping duties on steel im-ports by the United States but declined to consider retaliatory mea-sures or call a halt to the Uruguay Round of global trade negotiations, as France has demanded,

The ministers said the steel dudes were "ill-founded and unacceptable and risk having a oegative effect" on talks toward an internaoonal steel agreement as well as the broader Uruguay Round of negoti-adons under the General Agree-ment on Tariffs and Trade.

Sir Leon Brittan, the EC trade commissioner, said he had written to Commerce Secretary Ron Brown of the United States on Thursday to protest the duoes. There is no point in having an agreement to eliminate tariffs," he said, "if the tariffs go but you can't actually sell any steel to the Americans because they put on ano-dumping duoes and counter-valing duties."

But rather than consider retalia-tory sanctions, be said the Community was likely to fight Washington through GATT procedures. That would involve a request that a GATT panel investigating earlier
U.S. countervailing duties on certain
specialty steel products be expanded to investigate the recent antidumping duties on hot-rolled steel, which threatens about \$815 million in anoual EC exports to America.

There had been talk of a possible push for sanctions after the hardline stance taken by Prime Minister Edonard Balladur of France earlier this week. Mr. Balladur said there could be no progress toward a GATT agreement at the Group of Seven summit meeting in Tokyo oext week unless Washington lifted

eve of the summit meeting, involving the United States, the European Community, Japan and Canada, were not the appropriate forum for reaching a deal on a tariff-reduction package that could form the backbone of a GATT agreement. Negotiations need to move to Geneva and involve all GATI member nacions, be said.

Still, Mr. Juppé did oot rule out the prospect that the Tokyo meetings could give a positive push to the oearly seven-year-old trade talks, a notion Sir Leon seconded.

"There is a difference between an agreement and oegotiations," be said. "There's no question of the negotiacions being paralyzed." He added that talks were being held Friday in Toronto.

The hopes for Tokyo have diminished, however. Whereas U.S. and EC officials talked this spring of hopes to agree on an ambitious tariff-reduction package by the summit meeting. Sir Leon cow talks of trying to "identify the main elements" of a deal.

Europe remains divided on bow much to give on tariffs. Mr. Juppe said France was insisting that its tariffs oot be lowered on semiconductors, cars, consumer electronic goods, nonferrous metals, alumiourn and wood products, but Sir Leon said he had made no guarantees in those areas.

Sir Leon's strategy is to divide the 15 industrial sectors covered in the GATT talks into three categories. EC sources said. The first, covering five sectors including steel, would have existing tariffs eliminated. The second and third categories would see tariffs cut by 50 percent and 30

Sir Leon's hope is to reach agree ment on that procedure even if the exact level of tariff reduction remains disputed, sources said. Sir Leon said the greater the level of tariff reduction, the more likely the package will gain support from other GATT nations when talks are

#### "Russia has oot done anything wrong," said ooe Western official in Moscow. "There have been lots of threats in the last six months to restore fixed prices and fixed exchange rates, to impose export restrictions, but they have done none of the above." Instead, Russia has acted on several fronts to bring its the steel duties. Foreign Minister Alain Juppe of money supply under control. The government has reached an agreement with the Central Bank to steady France reiterated that position at Friday's meeting. He also restated the flow of credit, until now used as a co-strings-attached bail-out for ailing industries. The Central Bank France's view that the G-7 and the so-called quadrilateral talks on the has raised interest rates to more realistic levels, coal has raised interest rates to more realistic levels, coal prices have been freed, oil prices have become more flexible and government spending has been slashed. That is not to say that Russia has solved its economic problems, many of which still hinge oo the murky political situation in the country. Although Russian industry is now being reorga-

### Back to the Future EC Seen Postponing Maastricht Plan

**Monetary Union:** 

By Tom Redburn and Brandon Mitchener

International Herald Tribune Whatever the German court that completed two days of bearings Friday finally decides about the Maastricht agreement on European unity, the treaty's goals of a common currency and joint foreign policy are fading into the future.

"Maastricht looks more and more like something that is going to be bonored in form but oot in substance," said Brendan Brown, chief economist at Mitsubishi Finance International in London. "At best, the timetable for economie and monetary union is going to be quite Riordan said while he sold about in the South Beach district of Miami Beach, which has drawn interaction and visitors.

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delayed into the next century."

The last major hurdle to formal ratification of the European Community's once-vaunted road map to increased integration is a review Germany's Constitutional Court in the Black Forest city of Karlsruhe, which is expected to issue a ruling this fall on whether the treaty is compaoble with German condominiums were sold in 1986, is equity memberships granting golf,

On Friday, the eight scarlet-robed juscess heard the Bundesbank president, Helmut Schlesinger, warn against lowering the the largest life insurer ever to fail in the United States. The company, which collapsed in 1991, has been cover the slightly yellow sand of treaty's most important economic standards in an effort to ease the cover the slightly yellow sand of Miami, and the landscaping is rich. passage to a monetary union. In effect. Germany's top central The average price of a Fisher Island condominium is \$1.6 million banker was insisting the standards remain so high that they would be for a 3,500-square-foot (315-squareoearly impossible to attain. Prices range from \$425 to \$600 a square foot, he said, which is very

"A step-by-step development is better than an unbalanced merger," Mr. Schlesinger said. "I personally consider it unlikely that a majority of countries will be able to join in 1997." Under the Treaty on European

Union, which was accepted by leaders of the 12 EC nations 18 months ago in the Dutch city of Maastricht, the Community is supposed to adopt a common currency in 1997 only if a majority of its members qualify. The treaty calls for some form of a currency union to be established by 1999, even if it only includes a handful of countries.

But even that is looking increas-

As it stands today, the only naingly doubtin tion that passes the Maastricht tests is the EC's smallest member:

Luxembourg.
With recession spreading across the cootinent and the cost of unification far exceeding expectations, Germany itself is unlikely to satisfy for years the requirement that a nation's budget deficit oot exceed 3 percent of its annual ecocomic outpur, Finance Minister Theo Waigel

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conceded in testimony earlier in the week. Meanwhile, Italy and Bel-gium, two of the key founding members of the EC, are far outside the debt criteria and stand little chance of sharply curbing their borrowing within the timetable.

Analysts warned that any move to

standards, bowever, would only throw the Community into further turmoil. The politicians need their feet beld to the fire," said Peter Pietsch, an economist at Commerzbank AG in Frankfurt. We have to make the tough decisions now or the fiscal situation in Europe will only get more and more out of control. Mr. Schlesinger also complained that the treaty's call for economic union was not matched by equally strong political bonds. "Experience shows that a currency union, which is an irreversible expression of solidanty, also requires a deep poliocal

unification in order to last," he said. Maastricht, however, "lacks the necessary agreement over the future structure of the political union and a recognition that it proceed parallel to currency union.

As he entered the court, Mr.

Schlesinger seemed fatalisoc about the treaty's future, saying: "We're all in God's hands." Maofred Bruooer, a former

Brussels bureaucrat who is the most prominent of the roughly two dozen opponents of the treaty who

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### Weak U.S. Economy **Hits Cyclical Stocks**

NEW YORK - Weaker-thanexpected U.S. job growth in June reinforced pessimism about the American economy, sending stocks of many large companies lower on

The Dow Jones industrial average fell 26.57 points, to 3,483.97, and declining issues on the New York Stock Exchange outnum-

#### N.Y. Stocks

bered advancers by a 3-to-2 ratio. Over-the-counter stocks, however, treoded higher, with the Nasday composite index up 0.90, to 704.49. Amoog hlue-chip stocks, losses were prominent in companies that depend on a strong economy for carnings growth, such as Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., down 1/2 to 40%, and International Business Machines Corp., which lost 11/2 to 48% on fears it would take a charge

to expand its layoff program. Stocks opened lower after the Labor Department said the nation's unemployment rate rose to 7 percent in June from 6.9 perceot in May as joh growth weakened and the recovery stalled. The economy added only 13,000 nonfarm johs in June, the weakest showing since August, amid more layoffs in manufacturing and slower hiring in service industries. The figure fell far sbort of economists' expectations of a gain of 141,000 jobs.

These were very poor ournbers," said Alan Ackerman, executive vice president at Reich & Co. "Job weakness is hardly the impe-

tus for consumer spending and hardly a spark to get the market

The Dow

going," he said.
With the economy looking grim, the bellwether 30-year Treasury bond rose 8/32 to 105 29/32. The issue's yield fell to 6.66 percent

Traders said short-maturity boods were strong all day on the notion the weak jobs data eliminated the risk of a Federal Reserve Board raising interest rates this

Sunshine Mining paced the Big Board actives, rising 1/2 10 2%. Shares of precious metal mining companies have gained as hullion prices jumped this week.

But some gold issues weakened. consolidating their gains of earlier in the week. Gold slipped \$1.50 an ounce after a share rise on Thursday. On the American Stock Exchange, the most-active issues were Echo Bay, down % to 13 and Royal Oak, off 1/4 to 61/2.

YPF SA was the second-most active New York Stock Exchange issue, easing 1/2 to 211/4. The Argentino energy concern was partially priva-tized on Monday.

Among the cyclical issues, Cater-pillar fell 1 to 73, International Paper fell ¼ to to 64%, and Aluminum Co. of America eased % to 71%. Players International led the OTC

actives, falling 12 to 18%. A 6 million share offering of Players, which markets services and products to the gaming and travel industries, had (Bloomberg, UPI)

#### IOBS: June Data Betray Weakness

#### Continued from Page 1 many had lowered interest rates

and this weakened the mark. The stock market lost ground. Despite Mr. Clinton's attempt to

portray Friday's figures as a onetime phenomenon, economists saw them as more than just one mooth's

Manufacturing jobs have de-clined by 1.7 million from their peak in January 1989, by 300,000 in the past year, and by 53,000 last

#### Foreign Exchange

mooth. With military spending declining annually by 6 perceot in inflation-adjusted terms. June's layoffs were concentrated in the aircraft, electronics and instrumeots sectors.

The only strength occurred in the service sector, which added 56,000 workers in June, mainly in bealth and education but also in "personnel supply services." Many of these, said Audrey Freedman, a labor consultant, actually end up oo assembly lines but with insecure and temporary jobs.

Most economists disagreed with Edward Yardeni, chief economist at the New York investment firm of

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**WORLD STOCK MARKETS** 

C.J. Lawrence Inc., who said the jump in the jobless rate did not oecessarily mean the economy was

slumping.
"I doo't believe the economy is as weak as the June report would indicate," be said, ooting that the Labor Department had revised upward its estimates of job gains for April and May by a combined

But Mr. Sinai pointed out that federal subsidies to cash-strapped states and cities are flet, that U.S. exports are down in real terms, and that the no-hiring policies by many companies have prompted consumers to rein in speoding. Hc pointed out that the only bright spot in capital spending is in infor-mation-processing equipment, a labor-saving expeoditure.

#### Dollar Advances

The dollar moved up to 1.6960 Deutsche marks by the New York close, from 1.6930 DM at Thurs-

day's close.
The U.S. currency also gained to 108.50 yen from 107.325 yen. to 5.7383 French francs from 5.7155 francs, and to 1.5110 Swiss francs from 1.5070 francs. The pound slipped to \$1.5075 from \$1.5155.

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#### AT THE CLOSE

#### Tandem Computers Expects a Loss

CUPERTINO. Calif. (Combined Dispatches) — Tandem Computers Inc. said Friday that it would report a loss for the financial third quarter. The company didn't give figures.

James G. Treybig, the company president and chief executive, said "Obviously, we are disappointed in these results." He blamed the loss on

economic weakness worldwide, particularly in Europe, and a new product announcement scheduled by the company, which Tandem said has caused customers to delay decisions for systems purchases. (Reuters, Bloomberg)

#### Denny's Announces Plan for Blacks

NEW YORK (NYT) — Besieged by discrimination lawsuits, the parent company of Denny's restaurants has announced a plan to give blacks a larger role in the company's management and to increase minority-group ownership of its franchists.

The plan results from months of negotiations between Flagstar Cosparent of Denny's, and three other restaurant chains, and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. Flagstar said it provides a lightly provided the statement of the National People o

would provide \$1 billion in jobs and benefits over seven years.

"In my 30 years in the civil rights movement, I've never seen the commitments made by this CEO today," Benjamin F. Chavis Jr., director of the NAACP, said in Baltimore, where the agreement was signed.

#### GE Optimistic on Second Quarter

FAIRFIELD, Connecticut (Bloomberg) — General Electric Co. said Friday it expected second-quarter earnings to exceed estimates, and that first-quarter results would be revised to reflect a \$1.01-a-share charge.

GE expects to report second-quarter earnings "higher than the \$1.53 average of analysts," it said in a statement. A recent survey of 11 analysts by Zacks Investment Research produced a mean earnings estimate of \$1.53 a share.

A year ago, GE had earnings of \$1.22 billion, or \$1.42 a share, on sales of \$15.2 billion. The announcement was the company's first public acknowledgement of what it had told analysts two months ago. On May 6, Jack Welch, chairman and chief executive, said in a meeting with analysts that he was "more than comfortable" with what was then an estimate of \$1.52 a share, according to a company letter.

#### St. Paul Cos. to Buy Insurance Firm

LONG GROVE, Illinois (AP) - St. Paul Cos. has agreed to buy LONG GROVE, Illinois (AP) — St. Pani Cos. has agreed to only Economy Fire & Casualty Co., a property and casualty concern, for about \$420 million in cash and other assets from Kemper Corp.

The final amount will be subject to certain adjustments to be made before closing of the deal, pending regulatory approval, the companies said in a statement on Thursday.

Kemper, based near Chicago in Long Grove, said in November it would self Economy and its other primary property and casualty subsidiary, Federal Kemper Insurance Co., to focus on its core businesses of life

insurance, asset and risk management, and securities brokerage. St. Paul, based in St. Paul, Minnesota, said Economy was a high-quality under-writer that would fit well with the company's strategic plan.

#### For the Record

An insider-trading trial in France of nine people involving the sale of American Can Co. to Pechiney SA ended Friday. The verdict is scheduled for Sept. 29. The defendants, including financiers close to the then-ruling Socialist Party, were charged with illicit trading in 1988 in shares of the U.S. company Triangle Corp. before it sold American Can. (Renters) Warner-Lambert Co. said it would acquire the consumer health prod-ucts business of Fisons PLC in Australia and New Zealand for approximately \$23 million. As part of the deal, the company will also get the Rosken line of therapeutic skin care products. A closing date has not been determined, said Peter Wolf, a Warner-Lambert spokesman. (Reuters) Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co., in a bid to boost its investment banking prowess, is offering multiyear, multimillion-dollar pay packages to employees at rival firms. (Bloomberg)

PARIS - The champagne house Louis Roederer said Friday that it would join forces with one of its competitors to get through the dry spell

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### Slovakia Targets Imports Surcharge Would Aim to Protect Reserves

BRATISLAVA, Slovakia - After six months of independence, Slovakia is struggling to define its economic future.

Slovak officials, spurred by visits from interna-tional lending agencies and the long awaited prom-ise of a \$90 million International Monetary Fund oan, say they are ready to stabilize their economy. Resisting pressure to devalue the koruna, Slovak leaders now favor one temporary fix: a 20 percent import surcharge that is likely to affect 30 percent to 40 percent of Slovakia's imports, valued at \$932

million in the first quarter of this year. All imports, except those from the Czech Republic, must be paid for in hard currency and the Slovak government is hoping the surcharge can give tempo-rary protection to the hard currency reserves and

improve Slovakia's balance of payments.
But there's no agreement within the government
on whether it's the right medicine for the nation's
economic ills. And Slovakia still faces the difficult task of selling the plan to its trading partners in the European Free Trade Association, European Com-munity and Visegrad Group, between Poland, Humgary and the two states of former Czechoslovakia. Sergej Kozlik, director of the Slovak government's economic policy department, said the sur-

charge is likely to be started within a month, and will help restructure Slovakia's imports. Slovakia needs to slow down imports of consumer goods and food products and boost imports of other goods from trading partners. "We are able to com-

But he urged the justices to at least impose condi-

pensate them in other commodities," he said. "For instance, we will import more technologies."

No doubt the move will change the six-monthold trade relationship Slovakia has with the neigh-boring Czech Republic, joined by a customs union allowing the duty-free trade of goods. If the Czech-Slovak customs union breaks down, Slovak importers will have to pay for all imports in hard currency. But leaders in both countries say their trade relationship will weather the current crisis.

As a new country, Slovakia still lacks clear data on its economy. Nevertheless, leaders tend to por-tray the situation as greatly improved from a dismal start in January and February, when Slova-kia's foreign currency reserves fell below \$200 million. The problems began early, when Slovak citizens and businesses, worried about a possible Slovak devaluation, sparked a run on foreign currency in Slovak banks. By Feb. 8, the Czech and Slovak republics adopted separate currencies and Slovak leaders embarked on a politically divisive debate over whether to devalue their currency.

Instead, they began to float the idea of a temporary import surcharge, mostly for consumer goods and food products.

The measure was discussed during an IMF mission to Slovakia in June and is included in the government's communique on its pact with the IMF. The idea is that the proceeds from the surcharge would be used for export credits for small and medium-sized businesses.

UNION: EC Expected to Delay Single-Currency Plan all other major burdles to ratification, including apattended the hearing, seemed prepared to accept a court ruling that would not reject Maastricht outright as an unacceptable infringement of German second time a referendum was held.

A rejection of the treaty on constitutional grounds would be a political setback to Chancellor Helmut tions on the agreement. That way, Mr. Brunner has Kohl, whose dreams of a smooth transition to German said, any renegotiation of the treaty would be like unification have been shattered by the heavy costs of unwrapping a mummy: "It would immediately fall bringing Eastern Germany up to Western standards, a bringing Eastern Germany up to Western standards, a series of government budgetary blunders, an ugly The high court review is the most serious remaining backlash against foreigners and challenge to the Maastricht treaty, which has cleared downturn in the German economy. backlash against foreigners and the recent sharp

### Paris Bids to Restart Economy With Yet Another Rate Cut

### German Easing This Week Paved Way for Latest Decline Big Job Cuts

the country sinks into recession PARIS - France, desperate to

breathe life into its moribund economy, cut interest rates, on Friday for the 10th time since the conservatives gained power in March. In doing this one day after the Bundesbank had lowered its rates, France highlighted how much the German central bank still calls the

shots on monetary policy.

The Bank of France said it was cutting its key intervention rate, which sets the floor on money market rates, by 4 point to 6.75 percent from 7 percent

It also reduced its 5-to-10-day lending rate, the ceiling on money market rates and less significant now that rates are going down, to 7.75 percent from 8 percent. The timing of the cut was three

days earlier than expected. The bank usually waits until its securities repurchase tender on Mondays to act on rates. "The Bank of France wanted to

underline the fact that Bundeshank

rate cuts make it possible for rates to go down in France, too," said -François Mercier, economist at Salomon Brothers in London. On Thursday the Bundesbank, which has been blamed by many for putting the brakes on Europe's economy because of its tight monetary policy, lowered its discount rate to 6.75 percent, a level matched on Friday by the French

equivalent, the intervention rate. The German cut was badly needed by Paris. The government, fac-ing criticism of its tough anti-inflationary policies, looks boxed in as ndeshank's next move.

The number of jobless rose in

May to a record 3.14 million, or 11.5 percent of the work force, and is not expected to peak until the end of the year at the earliest. 4.72 billion francs (\$874 million),

Unwilling to risk increasing its budget deficit by spending its way out of recession, the government has become dependent on lower interest rates to stimulate the economy.

But its attempt to disentangle itself from the influence of the Bundesbank by cutting rates inde-pendently came unstuck last week. Economy Minister Edmond Alphandery announced that top Ger-man officials were coming to Paris to discuss interest rate cuts, only to be embarrassed hours later when the Germans canceled.

The meeting has been rescheduled for Aug. 3 in Paris.

Financial markets' love affair with French investments has cooled. The franc, whose strength had allowed the independent rate cuts, eased against the Deutsche mark Friday, which ended in Paris at 3.3814 francs, up from 3.3703 on

The Friday rate cut appeared to put France back in step with Germany and on a steadier course. However, the franc's retreat below 3.38 per mark for the first time since mid-April, showed just how difficult it could be for the French to squeeze in another cut before the

**Bull Planning** 

PARIS -- France's struggling state-controlled computer firm. Groupe Bull SA, says it will announce plans Monday for another round of significant job cuts.

Bull, which posted a 1992 loss of

would not specify how many posi-tions will be eliminated from the But Herve Hamnebicque, direc-tor of human resources, said they would be "a very high order of

Mr. Hannebicque added that the latest job cuts wouldn't go beyond "the trend of the past few years." Bull has cut 12,157 positions, or

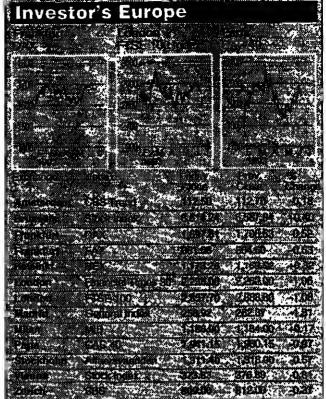
26 percent of its worldwide total, in the last three years. Bull announced in March that 3,000 job cats were planned for 1993-94, but the Monday an-nouncement, to be made at a meeting of the company's worker-man-agement committee, is expected to

go beyond that. Mr. Hannebicque also said the that company's results in the first half "aren't good," but did not provide further details. Bull has posted 15 billion francs

of losses in three years. The French government currently

is negotiating with the EC Commis-sion over a 2.5 billion franc capital injection for Bull, which was announced at the beginning of this

Bull is one of the companies that the conservative French government has decided to be put up for sale, although no date has yet been set.



#### Very briefly:

• Rhône-Powlenc SA's sale on the Paris Bourse of 3.89 million shares in Roussel-Uclaf SA will take place next Monday through Thursday; the price will be set Monday.

Métrologie International SA, a French computer services company, has been fined 250,000 francs (344,000) by the market regulatory authority, Commission des Opérations de Bourse, for a profit forecast in 1991 that the COB said was tiable to be misinterpreted.

• The EC Commission reached accords with Russia and Turkey limiting respectively their exports of textiles and clothing to the Community. National Bank of Slovakin is preparing its first foreign bond sale for the end of this year, working with Nomura International.

Montedison SnA has asked the accounting firm Deloitte & Touche to discover the source of the extra 320 billion lire (\$205 million) loss the company amounced this week at a shell company in the Netherlands Antilles, and to study the group's overseas holding companies.

• The French Automakers Association said car production in May fell 4.8 percent compared with a year earlier.

### PALESTINE: Analyzing Territories' Potential for Economic Autonomy

Continued from Page 9

policies, capital and labor mobility, and open trade with Israel. Poor and newly autonomous economies rarely get past the first prerequisite: the temptation to please everyone by printing money is overwhelming.

But remarkably, the Palestinians on the project steering committee, including an official representative from the Palestine Liberation Organization, essentially conceded control over the money supply, en-dorsing the continuing use of Jordanian and Israeli currency as legal agreed that in the near term, the Palestinian economy could not manage without sending substantial numbers to work each day in Israel.

peting for the unskilled jobs.

And there are certainly plenty of Jerusalem.

By the same token, all sides Israeli and Palestinian nationalists

Since the occupation, Palestinian laborers have done much of the heavy lifting in Israel, building roads and houses and harvesting crops in return for wages far above those back home. This symbiosis was disrupted in the late 1980s, first by the Palestinian rebellion, then by a flood of Russian immigrants com-

coolly endorses the return of at least 100,000 Palestinian workers to Israel as the only plansible way to re-

duce Palestinian unemployment. The stickiest issue faced by the group is the question of trade be- open trade with the closest large tween Israel and an autonomous market represents Palestine's main Palestine, "The sentiment that Pal- chance for growth. And it implies estinians need breathing room to what many Israelis are loath to ad-build competitive industries is quite common on the West Bank," shift out of labor-intensive industry noted Ephraim Kleiman, an econo- and subsidized agriculture into somist at the Hebrew University in phisticated services and high-tech-

And it is echoed by Israeli farmwho would prefer just to keep the ers and manufacturers eager to labor forces separate. But the report avoid going head-to-bead with Palestinian businesses employing workers for the equivalent of a few dollars a day,

> But the report makes clear that nology manufacturing.

### **West German Says GDP** Could Fall 2% This Year

BONN - The Finance Ministry undersecretary, Horst Köhler, said Friday that West Germany's gross domestic product could fall as much as 2 percent this year.

Up until now, the government had based its budget plans on a forecast of a 1.5 percent drop in 1993 GDP in the West.

But Mr. Köhler said there was "no reason to panic,"

"There are economic indica-tors which show a possible turnaround by the end of 1993, or possibly in 1994," he said.

On Thursday, the govern-ment said West German industrial output rose a seasonally adjusted 1.2 percent from a month earlier.

#### Austrian GDP to Shrink 1%

VIENNA - Austria's economy has been driven by the German slowdown into a recession complicated by high inflation, two top forecasting institutes said Friday.

In its latest projection, the Insti-tute of Economic Research slashed its end-of-March forecast of zero growth for 1993 to a fall in gross domestic product of 1 percent.

The Institute for Higher Studies now expects the economy to shrink by 0.8 percent this year, also a

downward revision from a forecast of stagnation in March.

Both expect modest 1.5 percent growth in GDP next year. The Institute of Economic Re-

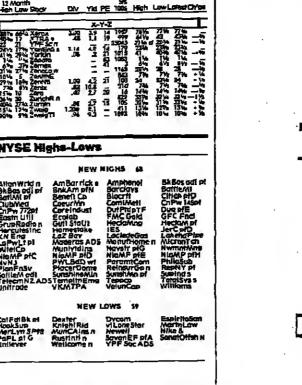
search said it had revised up its inflation forecast to 3.7 percent for 1993. The institute forecasts inflation will fall to 3 percent next year. "Germany, the most important

export market, is at the center of the West European recession, and in other key export markets exchange rate changes have burdened Austrian exporters since last autumn," the institute said.

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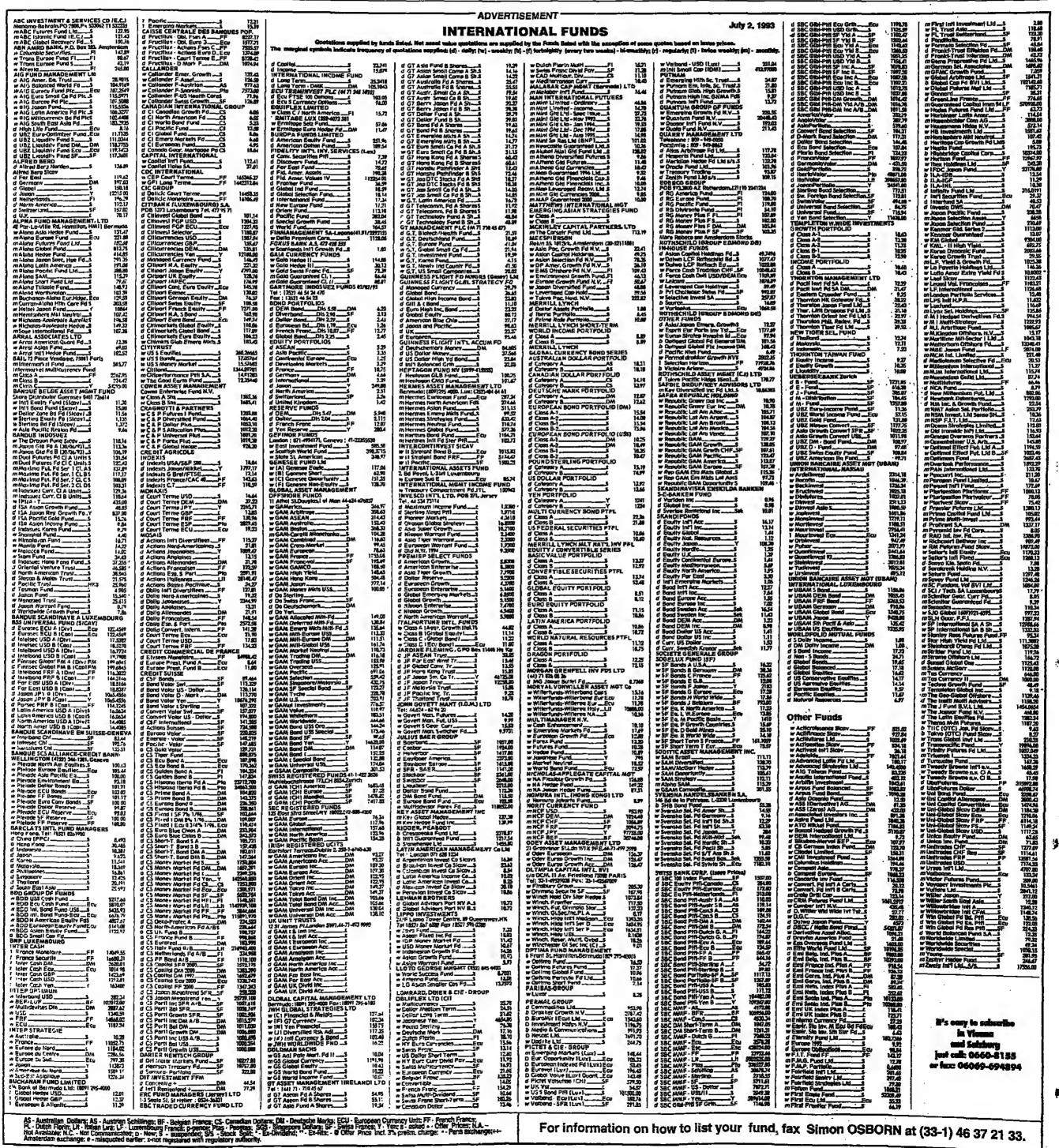
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CANBERRA — The Australian government announced Friday that it would delay for a year thesale of its remaining 75 percent ownership of Qantas, the national:

The government moved to offset budget impacts of the delay by advancing the sale of 19 percent of its stake in Commonwealth Bank

The decision to reschedule the Qantas sale was made in response to advice by financial consultants and by Gary Pemberton, the Qanairman, Finance Minister Ralph Willis said in a statement.

Mr. Willis said the government was advised it would get substantially better value from the Oantas shares if it would postpone the sale to the financial year starting July 1,

The Commonwealth stake to be sold is valued at 1.47 billion Australian dollars (\$980 million) at current share prices, which rose 6. cents to 8.76 Australian dollars becents to 8.76 Austranau at the end of the business day.

The government owns 70 percent of Commonwealth Bank, with the remainder held by the public. It sold 25 percent of Qantas to British Airways earlier this year.

Canberra hoped to raise 2 billion dollars from the Qantas float, nations have given strong new which had been expected in October or November or early in 1994.

But the trading environment in international aviation deteriorated in recent months, Mr. Willis said. "As a result," he added, "the

board and management required additional time to respond to these pressures and to achieve the necessary internal structural changes to overcome this challenge."

## Work Harder, Koreans Told Beset by Labor Woes, Kim Exhorts Nation

The Associated Press

SEOUL -As labor disputes crippling the auto giant Hyundai Co. showed no signs of subsiding. President Kim Young Sam appealed to the nation on Friday to work harder to rebuild the economy. Mr. Kim said in a relevised address that South Koreans should tighten their belts for further economic development.

The president's message came amid grown public concern about nationwide labor disputer triggered by a walkout at South Korea's largest auto factory, Hyundai Motor Co., in the southeast-

can industrial city of Ulsan. The speech was delivered in a session of economic ministers who reported the government's

ambitious five-year economic blueprint. In Ulsan, workers at 17 subsidiaries of the nation's leading conglomerate Hyundai Group have threatened joint action next week to support the two-week partial walkout at the auto factory. The government reported labor disputes at 40 major

factories nationwide. Government officials worry that their efforts to revitalize the economy may be dampened by work stoppages in major export-oriented factories.

Since Mr. Kim took office in February, he has

announced such market-bolstering measures as preferential loans for exports and interest-rate

But economic indicators show no signs of early

recovery from a prolonged recession. In June, South Korea's trade deficit widened to \$239 million from \$194 million the previous year because of labor difficulties. In the first six months of this

year, inflation was 4.2 percent. Mr. Kim said his administration would collect more taxes to raise economic development funds. He also plotged to accelerate a reform aimed at

economic justice." This means that business magnates would lose favors given by past military-backed regimes in return for political donations.

Mr. Kim said the centerpiece of his economic reform during his five-year term would be legislation of real-name transactions, in which people would be required to use their real names, not aliases, in financial dealings. Real-name financial dealings would broaden the government's tax base. But Mr. Kim's predecessors, concerned about capital flight, had delayed such legislation.

Since he took office, most major companies have held back on facility and other investments, worrying about fallout from his anti-corruption drive. Mr. Kim vowed no drastic measures to curb siness activities. But conglomerates have been

under pressure to slim their property holdings. His five-year economic blueprint calls for an average 7 percent growth in gross national product from 1993 through 1997.

### Japanese Surplus In Current Account Stubbornly High

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before Japan hosts a summit meeting with key trading partners, the Finance Ministry said Friday that the country's burgeoning currentaccount surplus had showed little sign of diminishing in May.

In dollar terms, the ministry said that the May current-account surplus grew 0.9 percent from a year earlier, to \$9.6 billion - the 26th straight month of increases. Measured in yen, it said, the surplus declined 14.7 percent from a

year before. That discrepancy stems from the yen's 15 percent appreciation mit meeting next week. against the dollar over the last six months, said Peter Morgan, senior economist at Merrill Lynch. In terms of actual volume," Mr. Mergan said, "Japan's surplus was intic changed in May."

The current-account balance is Japan's broadest measure of the flow of goods and services into and out of the country. Japan has long run a surplus, and Friday's news will do little to ease the pressure on Tokyo to open its markets to for-

eign goods.

Excessive current-account surpluses are always a global problem because they invite pressures for protection." Lawrence Summers, U.S. undersecretary of the Treasury for international affairs, said in a speech in Tokyo last week.

Japan's Finance Ministry also released data showing that in 1992. the country ran a current-account surplus with five of the countries coming to the Group of Seven economic summit meeting next week.

Japan recorded the largest current-account surpluses in 1992 with Germany, at 59.9 billion, and the United States, at \$44,46 billion.

Washington wants Tokyo to TOKYO - Less than a week pledge to cut its total current account surplus to less than 2 percent of gross national product over three years, from its current 3 percent to 4 percent.

Tekyo is resisting fiercely.

"It is simply out of the government's control to manipulate a levei of surplus as a certain proportioo to the GNP." Prime Minister Kiicini Miyazawa saio during a televised news conference Friday.

But the issue is likely to be discussed when President Bill Clinton meets Mr. Miyazawa for the sum-

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#### Chrysler to End Mitsubishi Role

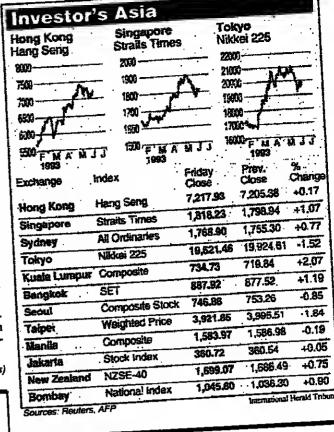
The Associated Press

TOKYO - Chrysler Corp. pians to sell the rest of its stake n Mitsubishi Motors Corp. of Japan, Mitsubishi said Friday.

The U.S. automaker plans to sell 23.25 million shares, or 72 percent, to close out its Mitsubishi Motors role after 22 years. Early last year. Chrysler received more than \$200 million for 43.6 million

shares.

Mitsubishi officials said liquidation by Chrysler would not affect car production for Chrysler by Diamood Star Motors Corp., the U.S. opera-



#### Very briefly:

 The Australian stock market's gold iodex jumped 143.0 points or 7.29 percent, to 2.104 — its highest level in nearly six years. Pasminco Ltd. sold its British zinc operations to MIM Holdings Ltd. for 100 million Australian dollars (\$67 million).

• Wharf (Holdings) Ltd. agreed in principle to take a 25 percent stake, for \$115 million, in the Yangto power plant in the Chinese city of Wuhan. Japan's Finance Ministry said foreign investors resumed selling Japa-oese securities in May, with net sales of \$363 million in stocks and bonds. • Fuji Television Network, part of the Fuji Sankei media group, is considering going public to raise 100 billion yen (\$930 million).

• The Central Monetary Authority of the Philippines, which has just replaced the Central Bank, will be headed by Gabriel Stogson,

• Indonesia's economy will grow by nearly 7 percent this year, up from 6.1 percent in 1992, the central bank forecast in its annual report.

 The Securities & Exchange Board of India has cleared the Jardine Fleming India Pacific Trust to invest directly in the country.

### COLLAPSE: Trouble in Hanoi

last year.

Continued from Page 9 nonnced a series of "intermediate" measures designed to move staterun businesses toward the private sector. These include selling or leasing state-owned premises or ery to workers and managers, and allowing the businesses to establish joint ventures with for-

cign investors.
"It doesn't make sense to move ahead artificially," said Mr. Doanh, who rejects suggestions that the government has gone lukewarm on this aspect of reform.

The shock therapy and the big bang have been appropriate in East Europe because those countries had new leadership seeking quick changes to their systems. They were also better prepared to

handle the changes.

never decided to move too quick-

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support to India's moves toward a

liberal economy by pledging \$7.4

nillion in aid to the country, a rise

of \$200 million over last year, the

At a meeting of donor nations

grouped under the India Consor-

tium, Japan unexpectedly raised its aid commitment to the world's

largest democracy to \$1.117 bil-

lion, compared with \$926 million

World Bank reported Friday.

PARIS - Leading industrial

The Central Institute for Economic Management expects that Vietnam will retain a "quite strong public sector for several years. Many of the most viable government-owned businesses, for instance Vietnam Airlines or the government's oil and gas interests, are not likely to be sold off anytime soon despite an urgent need for capital to develop the country's in-

But, Mr. Doanh said, the government also seeks to avoid monopolistic tendencies and is likely to allow greater competition in most areas of the economy in the future, with foreign investors playing a

of structural reform, the group of voors said. Referring to the controversial

**Industrial Nations Raise Aid to India** 

India also got significant sup-port from the United States, Ger-many and Britain.

The Indian government began a

campaign of reform three years

ago to cast off the socialist system

that had been dominant for more

In the last 12 months, efforts to

stabilize the economy were "par-ticularly successful," with impor-

tant progress in several key areas

than four decades. .

Continued from Page 1 who looked at the problem seriously thought there would have to be

some realignment in our trade rela-tions. And I think we're going to work that out." But he gave no indication that "framework" talks on how to address U.S.-Japan trade barriers would succeed at the summit meeting itself. Earlier in the day, he had told reporters that he did not want to raise expectations about the framework talks and that "agreements are always more difficult

during a transition. New elections will be held in Japan on July 18. The president repeatedly argued that he had acted forthrightly to cut the U.S. budget deficit and that as a result U.S. interest rates have dropped, housing sales are up and construction employment is rising. His legislative package aimed at "It will certainly be a clear im-

at a critical stage of negotiations in ton argued. In the end, he said, Congress, and a final vote is not expected until August or Septem-

Sardar Sarovar dam, an irrigation

project that would force thou-

sands of villagers from their an-

cestral lands, the head of the Indi-

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said: "I can guarantee none of the

money pledged will go to the dam

However, the government will

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seek domestic financing for the

project, he added.

This action on the deficit, the president said, fulfills the longstanding demands from the other G-7 nations - Britain, France, Italy, Germany, Canada and Japan.

The other nations of the world have asked the United States for years and years and years, internally, to do only one thing: to do something about our budget deficit, which caused a significant imbalance in global economic rela-tions," Mr. Clinton said. "We're doing that, and it is very tough to

But he added later: "There is a limit to what we can do for ourselves and therefore what we can do for Europe and Japan in terms of buying more of your exports." can get a little bit of growth

worldwide growth will only be achieved if there is an expansionary policy in Japan, if Europe is able to produce a higher level of growth so that the system is brought into balance."

Asked about tension in European-U.S. relations, the president said that there was much agreement on aid to Russia, for example, and that the only "point of contention" concerned Bosnia.

"That doesn't mean we can't do anything together," he asserted.
"We are trying to work together,
and I'm still hopeful that something humane, decent and politically reasonable will emerge from this process before it's too late."

The disagreement over Bosnia is not a reason to "give up" on the G-7 or the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, he added.

The president made these other te in the interview:

CLINTON: A Zeal for Easing Differences and 'Getting to Know' the G-7 The United States has long said it will "bend over backward" to gain a successful conclusion, by the end of this year, to the Uruguay Round of world trade talks under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, The G-7 summit meeting, however, ought to produce "a more vigorous commitment" to GATT, although Mr. Clinton of-

fered no signal of a breakthrough. • He said he would be "more than happy" to discuss with France the "facts" surrounding a U.S. derision to impose barriers to foreign steel. France has declared that it will oot sign a GATT accord in Tokyo unless a U.S. ruling, based on anti-dumping law, is with-drawn. But Mr. Clinton defended the U.S. anti-dumping law as con-

sistent with GATT regulations. • He said he realized that his comments on recent German interest rates entered a "delicate" area.

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## And the EC: **Euro-Mazed**

diably bumpy, the single market is still fractured. So it is with sadness rather than surprise that this week's news on EC pension law reform should be

While the draft directive, which has not been adopted and will have to be radically remodeled, did not exactly promise to usher in the glad, confident morning of EC financial services, it did at least seem to offer a starting point. There were two main areas of

The first objective was to open the management of national pension funds to outsiders. This of course is in line with the principle of the single EC market. But principles are far removed from the detailed application of carefully drafted rules and regulations. The result was that amid a welter of classic EC squahhling and nondecision-making hy committee, the directive was lost. Funny how national interest provokes even the most docile politicians and bureaucrats into vigorous argument.

The second major reform was difficult to take seriously, but might, thanks to its extreme vagueness, have stood a chance of making it through the Euro-maze. What we have just lost with the directive is the prospect of the pan-European prudent man. Apparently the Dutch were among the stum-hling blocks of this unfortunate creature. Holland has been the home to many billions in pension funds, managed in a very efficient manner over many years. There was considerable, and understandable, resistance to the idea that their tested way of pension provision should be altered to take account of an externally invented idea of what the prudent man in Brussels might do with their money.

The practical difficulties of arriving at a substantive concept of prudence are enormous. Danish fund managers, for example, are obliged to hold 60 percent of their assets in fixed-interest investments. Their Dutch counterparts have certain limits on the amount of international exposure they can take on, while the British fund manager is subject, principally, to the terms of the trust deed. So farewell, the prudent man, may you rest in peace.

### FIRST COLUMN For the Small Investor, Pension Law Buy Gold in Small Sizes

By Philip Crawford

OURE a small investor with a portfolio of, say, \$100,000, primarily invested in equities and bonds. But, like everyone else these days, you've heard what the gold bulls are saying. More than that, you've noticed a little action. Investment managers like George Soros have entered the gold market (albeit somewhat indirectly, through the medium of gold mining shares) and yon're interested in checking out the latest

One good way for small investors to enter the market, say many analysts, is with gold coins, which are available internationally through major banks and securities houses.

Since the price of gold hullion caught a strong updraft in March, heginning a move from around \$325 an ounce to its current level of just under \$380, the demand for gold coins by both small and high-rolling investors has shot up. According to the World Gold Council, global sales of the five leading international gold coins - the Australian nugget, the Austrian philharmoniker, the Canadian maple leaf, the U.K. britannia and the U.S. eagle jumped 56 percent during April and May from a vear earlier.

In Europe and North America, where the market performance of gold bullion has been stellar, sales of gold coins increased by 68 percent to 241,012 ounces, says the World Gold Council. And many experts feel the rally in gold has plenty of steam left.

Gold coins have several advantages over buying shares in mining companies or in funds that invest in mining concerns, say many hrokers and market analysts. One edge, say some, is that coins are a pure play.
"One problem with shares is that you're not

investing in gold, but in companies which mine it," said Michael Temple of Gold Investments Ltd., a London gold trading firm. "You're therefore exposing yourself to political risk and all the other factors which effect equity mar-

Mr. Temple said that if one held shares in a company mining in South Africa, for example, and if political upheaval there caused mines to be temporarily closed, the share price would most likely fall. But, he noted, the price of gold on the world market would rise in such a scenario, because there would be less supply.

investor to get into the gold market," he said. The South African krugerrand, the darling of gold coin investors for a brief period 20 years ago, has fallen out of favor somewhat with international investors, in step with global political pressure against the South African

Andrew Smith, a gold analyst at Union Bank of Switzerland in London, said coins were currently more attractive than options another common way of investing in gold because options have become more expensive as the bullion price has moved upward. Investors who had the prescience to buy call options on gold before the market made its move, he

said, are now sitting pretty.

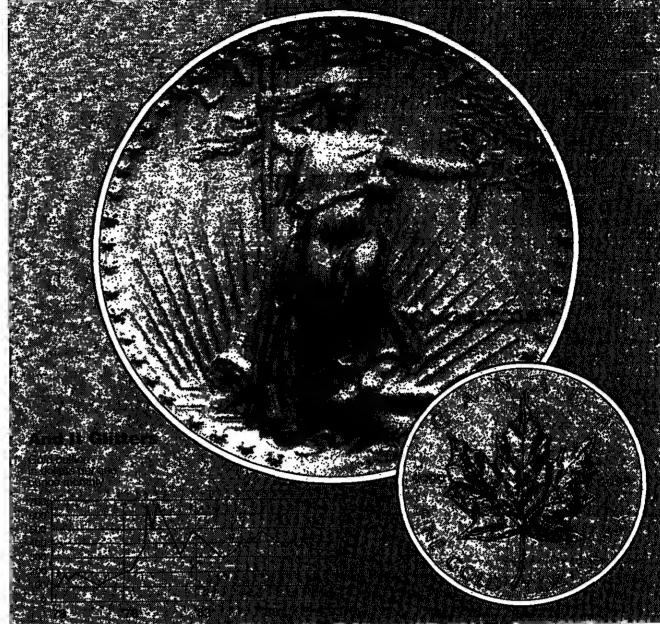
With a call option, investors buy the right to purchase a certain amount of gold at a certain price within a prescribed time period. Thus, anyone who bought a three-month option at the beginning of March to purchase gold at \$325 an ounce, the price at that time, could have sold it back to the market at the end of May for about \$370, pocketing a profit.

Mr. Smith also said that coins have a "comfort premium," that appeals to many investors. There's ohviously a tangihle presence with coins," he said. "Some people like the physical feel and touch of it. That sentiment is particularly pronounced in places such as the Far East, where gold has more of an historical visibility. Try selling a gold option there and they'll look at you like you're from outer

Gail Ghent, a precious metals trader at Lehman Brothers in New York, said that gold coins also have advantages over gold hullion bars, in addition to being much smaller and therefore cheaper. "The coins are legal tender in the country where they are minted," she said. "Also, if you have a tube of 20 one-ounce coins, you can sell a few of them at a time, which you can't do with a 100-ounce gold bar. I recommend coins to any investor who is interested in taking physical possession of the

She said that, currently, investor interest in gold coins far surpasses that in coins minted from such other metals as silver or bronze.

Offshore domiciles are a frequent home for gold coins owned by investors for whom physical possession is of lesser importance. Many British investors use offshore locales, say experts, since gold hullion is subject to a 17.5



percent value-added tax in Britain. "If an investor wanted to go offshore, we would buy the coins bere and then send them to a place like Gibraltar or Jersey, said Mr. Temple, "We'd give the investor a certificate indicating ownership, and when he wanted to sell he'd bring the certificate back and his gold would be redeemed at the market price."

VAT rates on gold hullion are still at different levels throughout the European Community. Indeed, Germany's decision to completely remove its 14 percent VAT on gold as of Jan. I boosted sales there, says the World Gold Council. In the United States, there is no federal tax on gold bullion, but some states levy a small tariff.

Stephen Mayer, chief operations officer of the Professional Coin Grading Service, a California concern that authenticates rare coins for private traders and for such major anction houses as Christie's and Sotheby's, said the rise. in the gold bullion price has stimulated the overall market in valuable coins.

"It's a good period for the rare coin market." he said. "Values are up, and trading is very active. We've been busier than usual over the past few months, and I think some of that is attributable to what's happened with gold bullion and to the publicity that market has re-

With all of the positives about gold coins cited by analysts, as well as the old wisdom that gold is the ultimate, long-term hedge, is there a current downside to investing in them? Certainly, says Mr. Smith, especially if you disagree with the prevailing bullish market sentiment.

"It's been speculative, not steady interest which we've seen escalate so rapidly," he said. "And it's reasonable to argue that what has happened is exceptional, and therefore reversible. Also, there's no downside protection with gold coins. If you happen to be against the current tide of Iceling, perhaps now is the time to buy put options on gold.

"Personally, I'm neither hullish nor bearish on the gold market." Mr. Smith concluded.

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#### **Mutual Funds: Investors** Flocking in U.S. and U.K.

Interest in mutual funds continues to soar in the United States and in Britain. Net new investment in U.S. equity funds for January through May was \$3.67 billion, according to the Investment Company Institute, the Washington-based representative body of the American mutual fund industry. Bond and income funds have show a less striking increase, with sales outsripping redemptions by just \$43.6 million.

Total net sales of British mutual funds during May were £914 million (\$1.3 hillion), up almost 300 percent from a year earlier.

"Low rates of interest are clearly encouraging savers to look to equities as a way to increase investment returns, said Victoria Nye, director of communications at the Association of Unit Trusts and Investment Funds, the British mutual fund representa-

But be warned: Skeptics would say that a high and increasing level of individual investment is a sign that the markets are peak-

#### **Keep 40% of Your Money** In Cash, One Analyst Says

At least one analyst would agree with the gloomy notion that the equity market is peaking. U.S. equity investors should concent, says David Bostian, chief economist of Herzog, Heine, Geduld, the New York fi-nancial group.

"That's as high as I have ever gone since the summer of 1987," said Mr. Bostian. " think we're on the precipice of an intermediate decline of around 10 percent in the stock market that will trough out in October or

The market strategist is advocating 20 percent in stocks, 25 percent in bonds, and 15 percent in gold as a hedge against infla-tion scares. He already held a 10 percent position in gold more than a year ago before prices took off, rising from \$355 an ounce to around the \$379 level this week.

Uncertainties in Washington are dragging down the U.S. economy and the stock market, says Mr. Bostian.

"The main thing is uncertainty about the budget and the health care plan. I'm hoping that hy late September or October that will be resolved." Then, he predicts, the economy could pick up to a rate of increase in gross domestic product of 3 to 4 percent in the last quarter of 1993. That would boost stocks in cyclically sensitive sectors, such as autos, aluminum, copper and steel.

To be avoided, says Mr. Bostian, are consumer-goods companies, which he warns could get socked even more than they have already. "Consumers have become incredibly price-conscious," he says, "and they're worse after receip beauty."

#### **A New Warrant Gambles** On a Falling German Mark

Wisdom before the event from the American Stock Exchange. Amex is making the most of the new interest in currency trading among mainstream retail investors by listing a series of warrants that amount to a bet on the dollar against the Deutsche mark. With the Bundesbank's cutting interest rates last Thursday, the warrants look well positioned

The formula to determine the warrants' value at their June 30, 1995, expiration is relatively complicated, but their worth will be greater the farther the dollar moves past 1.704 DM, its level a few days before the warrants began trading last Tuesday. Below that level they will expire worthless.

Should the dollar equal 2 DM at expiration, the warrants will be worth \$7.40, the Amex notes. The break-even level is roughly 1.89 DM. Near there, their value will be \$4.875, where they started trading.

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The dollar fell back a little against the mark after the warrants were listed but rebounded on the German rate cut. The dollar

closed in Europe Friday just above 1.70 DM. The series of 4 million warrants was issued by International Finance Corp., an affiliate of the World Bank that arranges financing in developing countries. It is one of several brands of currency warrants offered on the American exchange, which has become

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### For Hotels, the Worst Is Over

By Aline Sullivan

MERICAN tourists—a fickle breed at the best of times — are back. Lured abroad by a atronger dollar, glimmers of domestic recovery and - cruise-missile attacks notwithstanding - no sign of the Gulf War starting up again, their much-missed spen power is set to reassert itself. This is good news, not only for hotel managers, but also for investors in hotel

Investors in this sector in Europe and in the United States have had much to grumble about in recent years. Along with a drop in tourism and business travel, shares have been depressed by low property values and the burden of debt taken on in the heady days of the

"The business has had a rough couple of years but the general consensus is that the cycle has bottomed out, both from the occupancy and investment standpoints," said Simon Turner, vice president of Salomon Brothers in London. There is an opportunity now to buy into some areas at historically low prices."

But investors need to be selective, analysts warn. Many hotel stocks in the United States and Britain are good long-term buys because these countries are coming out of recession. Britain is also a prime destination for American tourists and a magnet for Far Eastern investors. But properties in continental Europe may prove less

Expecting Company

Continental European hoteliers enabled British hotels to overcome will need to improve cost controls lower revenues and increase their in order to remain profitable this year, according to an industry survey published recently by the Lonbased hotel and leisure consultants Pannell Kerr Forster

The survey forecast only moderate profits this year for the European hotel sector with tough times ahead for groups in recession-hit

operating profits by 3.3 percent last

"The British hotel industry can only get better now," said Nigel Hicks, leisure industry analyst at the London stockbroker Panmure

"London will be the first beneficiary when Americans start coming back to Europe," he said. "But

'London will be the first beneficiary when Americans start coming back to Europe.' Nigel Hicks, analyst

countries, particularly Germany. Hotel revenues are also likely to remain depressed in Sweden, Italy and Spain, the survey said.

Investors in the European hotel sector should look for companies with a reasonable geographic spread to avoid the areas heading for recession, said Mr., Turner. This may prove difficult, however.

"Accor is the only obvious pan-European hotel company," said Mr. Turner. It also has the advantage of a wide spread between hixury, four-star hotels and cheaper. one-star properties. But shareholders should be prepared to wait for Accor to digest its 1991 acquisition of rival French hotel group Wagon Lits before expecting strong prof-

The outlook should, in theory, be more promising for the British ho-tel sector. According to Pannell Kerr Forster, heavy cost-cutting

room rates can't rise until occupan-

Forte, Britain's biggest hotel and restaurant group, should show the strongest gains as the market improves, said Mr. Hicks. It has a strong brand name and has been ding in continental Europe, including a recent joint venture to manage several hotels owned by

Shareholders may be in for a long wait, however. Forte cut its dividend in April for the first time in 20 years and warned that it expects no early recovery. The company has also put much of its American Travelodge chain up for

People could be disappointed in hotel stocks over the next few years, "said Mr. Hicks. "There are better opportunities over the longer term but the market won't be any-

thing like it was in the early 1980s,"he said.

Shares in other British groups with hotel operations have been depressed for several years. Financial problems at Queens Moat resulted in a suspension of trading in the company's shares on March 31 and analysis expect some of its best properties to be sold, most likely to Forte. Ladbroke, the owner of Hil-ton International, is burdened with problems in its property and retail operations.

Shares in Bass, the owner of the Holiday Inn chain, offer good val-ne now, said Mr. Hicks. Holiday Inns have a wide geographic spread and are attractive to Americans traveling abroad, he said.

Margo Vignola, hotel analyst at Salomon Brothers in New York, recommends buying shares in Mar-riot and Hospitality Franchise Systems. Both companies have regis-tered higher demand and occupancy levels so far this year while reservations for the summer look strong, she said. That makes a welcome change

from the experience of the past two years. A massive building spree in the 1980s resulted in overcapacity in the American hotel market, leaving many hotels with less than 50 percent occupancy last year, well below the 60 percent or so necessary to break even, said Mr. Turner. Oversupply has forced room prices so low that they are now "ridiculously cheap," he said.

"Virtually no new hotels have been built in the U.S. over the past two years," said Mr. Turner. "Supply growth is stagnant and demand s growing. At some point that has to be good news for the industry."



### If You Buy Jewelry, Don't Be Impatient

By Kate Bales

wisdom of Broadway, diamonds are a girl's best friend." Perhaps. Nevertheless, most women aren't rejuctant to welcome a nice sapphire, ruby, or emerald into their circle of intimates. But sentiment is one thing, finance another. When tempted by that alluring cluster of precious stones, is it possible to actually justify the purchase by declaring that it's a secure invest-

Philippe Bessis, a spokesman for the jeweler Cartier in Paris, points out that "jewelry must be looked at as a long-term investment; generally, 25 years or more. On the positive side, no piece of Cartier jewelry resold at auction has ever brought less than the original purchase price. On the other hand, the investment of jewelry is never certain and often people are deceived by trying to think purely in terms of financial gain."

Sotheby's winter 1993 sale of "Magnificent Jewelry" in St. Mo-ritz, Switzerland, brought in a total of \$23,870,566. Of all the pieces put up for sale 84 percent were sold, and many doubled their presale estimates. Notably, five of the most princely baubles were snatched up by Sheikh Ahmed Fitsihi.

In order to hold or gain value, jewelry that is somewhat less mag-

Mr. Bessis sees the first as being, the selection of quality stones. CCORDING to the While there are several instances where jewels previously owned by royals, or celebrities, have sold for more than their true market value, buying quality is usually impera-tive to a future resale. Mr. Bessis has a further suggestion for anyone interested in investing in jewelry: "Be careful not to fall in love with the jewels themselves. Investors must forget sentiment."

Resale value is often highly tied to the signature that the piece bears. Alain Boucheron, president of Boucheron in Paris, notes that "like paintings, signed pieces of jewelry always carry greater value." Sheikh Fitzihi personally selected two 1960 Van Cleef & Arpels parures for which he paid \$105,000.00 and \$582,000, Both figures were doubled the low estimate

The potential value of any given item is something determined by several factors. How long has the piece been out of the designer's available collection? How many facsimiles of the design were originally produced? There is a host of similar questions relating to au-

thenticity and desirability. It can take a bundred years, or price rose to \$125,000. more, for an individual designer to huild the kind of reputation that warrants the status of being a true signature. Boucheron, a design house created in 1858, is still in the hands of the original family. Car- exhibition, or in the hands of an-

tier, one of today's leading names, was founded in 1847. While buying jewelry straight from the boutique does insure a signature, it naturally betides the normal markup one expects to find from gem miner to dealer to boutique.

Mr. Boucheron maintains that "primarily, a piece of jewelry should be for one's pleasure."

"After that, it can be a good financial operation if you choose carefully," be says. "But, jewelry should not be seen as a standard investment, but rather, a diversifi-

cation of wealth.

Over the past several years many ewelers, including Cartier and Boucheron, have begun to recollect their own older pieces for private resale and exhibition. This can provide belpful publicity and add to the chic of the image. For example, in 1989 the Museum of the Petit Palais in Paris held an exhibit of

"the Cartier Collection." The disadvantage to major jewelers rebuying their own work is that the general public is much less likely to find a good signature piece, at a reasonable price. Mr. Boucheron tells of going to an auction to buy back an old family piece, which had sentimental value for him. The

"I could have duplicated the piece, exactly, in my workshop for less than \$50,000," he says. A client who has seen a particu-lar signed piece that he likes at other party, can often go to the boutique and ask.

Aside from finished pieces, investors can consider the more straightforward investment of buying individual stones.

While auction houses often sell a few loose stones, Mr. Boucheron feels that "there are more discreet. and better opportunities for people interested in this area."

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### Credit Cards and Airlines: Too Soon to Tell

HE recent launch of a credit card by British Airways, in association with Chase Manhattan Bank, has analysts divided over whether the airline, the bank, or Visa, the credit card company, will benefit from the issue. Thus far there has been a lot of talk about the effects the new product may or may not have on the commercial prospects and the stock prices of these companies. The story, so far, is that it's too early

But from the consumers' view. a few points at least are clear. Besides serving as a standard credit card, the plastic will carn frequent flier miles on interna-

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tional and American domestic flights via BA and USAir, in which the British company has a \$400 million investment. Typically, a cardholder has to charge about \$20,000 in goods and service to qualify for a free U.S. domestic flight, and \$40,000 for an international flight.

Credit card deals increasingly fall into two camps, says Robert McKinley of RAM Research, a card-data group. The first catego-ry is the stripped-down, plain va-nilla Visa or MasterCard, with few perks but a low interest rate charged on unpaid balances, generally around 10 percent.

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The second category assesses a steeper rate, anywhere from 15 to 17 percent (in the case of British Airways, 15.4 percent) but offers a "give-back," as It is called in the plastic business.

eral Motors and Ford cards have rates of around 15 percent, which rebate a percentage of charges for goods and services toward a new car; General Electric Rewards MasterCard socks cardholders 16.9 percent on unpaid balances, but rebates 2 percent of purchases from partners like Volvo, Macy's and K mart, and it offers

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But perhaps the best offer of all for consumers who feel somewhat befuddled by the plethora of rates and deals may be two free publications, according to Mr. McKinley. MasterCard offers a "Smart Credit Quiz" (available toil-free within the United States by calling (800) 999-5136, and Visa has with "Credit Ca Owner's Manual" (800) VISA-

Both groups will mail this information to addresses outside the United States. To qualify for the credit cards, however, expatriates must have a U.S. address. For more information on the British Airways/Chase card, call 800 AT CHASE.

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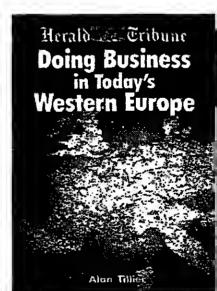
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## **SPORTS**

### French Police **Detain Senior** Marseille Aide

MARSEILLE - Olympique Marseille's general secretary, Jean-Pierre Bernes, was detained on Friday for further questioning about his alleged role in charges of brib-ery by the European soccer cham-

pion, police sources said. Bernes was questioned by the police for more than four hours after leaving a hospital in Mar-seille, where he had been treated

for depression since last Saturday. The sources said he would remain in police custody for more questioning about allegations that Marseille tried in rig a league match against Valenciennes with a bribe of 250,000 francs (\$43,900).

Valenciennes players have named Bernes as their contact man, along with the Marseille midfielder

Jean-Jacques Eydelie. Under French law, suspects can be held for up to 48 hours before being handed over to a judge, who decides whether to formally place them under investigation.

Four people have been placed under investigation, a step that can lead to formal charges.

Prosecutor Eric de Mongolfier

said Bernes would be questioned hy the investigating judge.

"Everything will depend on what Mr. Bernès has to say." Mongolfier said. "If his explanations are good and convincing and the judge thinks they are, he will go out free." Bernès is suspected af organizing bribes allegedly offered to three Valenciennes players to throw a French first division match on May

20. which Marseille won, 1-0. Marseille went on to win its fifth straight French championship and the European Champions' Cup. Valenciennes was relegated to the

second division. A Valenciennes player, Chris-tophe Robert, has admitted receiving 250,000 francs before the

Christine, have been placed under investigation along with Eydelie.

Cup star Jorge Burruchaga, who plays for Valenciennes, was placed under investigation on Thursday, Bernes is the team's No. 2 offi-

On Thursday, the police swept into Marseille's training camp in the Pyrenees and took away 12 players for questioning. All were released, although four were interrogated for several hours.

The league said on Friday that its executive council would meet Wednesday to discuss the scandal. League officials said, however, that they were unlikely to take any

rion was completed. Meanwhile, CSKA Moscow on Thursday withdrew allegations that Marseille tried to bribe its players

lev, had said that Marseille tried to bribe the Russians before their 6-0 defeat in Marseille on March 17. On Friday, a UEFA spokesman in Bern confirmed that the CSKA

The former Argentine World

cial after the owner, Bernard Tapie.

On Friday, Tapie condemned the interrogations and accused the media of trying to smear the club with bribery allegations. "It's the biggest media manipu-

lation I've seen in my life," Tapie said in an interview with the French daily Liberation. He said the affair was being orchestrated by "a journalist, a politician and the public prosecutor."

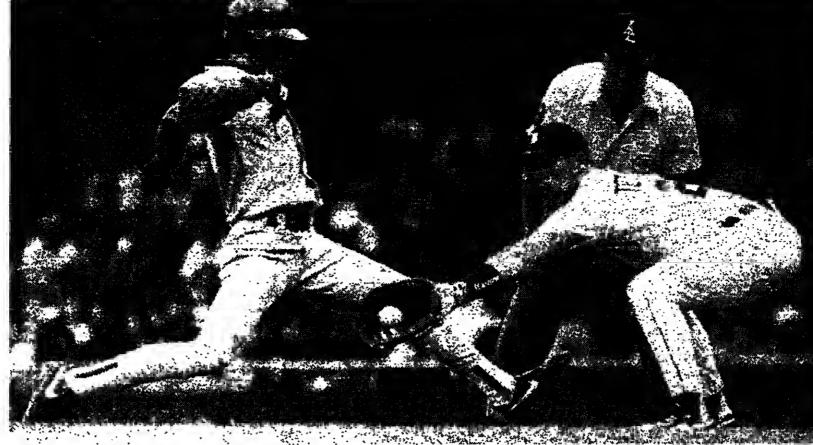
The president of the French league, Noël Le Graet, said on Fri-

day that while Marseille might start the French league championship on July 24, if the team was found to have committed an offense, it would be punished later.

action until the criminal investiga-

before a Champions' Cup game. CSKA's coach, Gennadi Kosty-

allegations bad been withdrawn (Reuters, AFP, AP)



The Rangers' Dave Hulse stretching to beat a pick-off throw from Detroit pitcher John Doherty, to Mickey Tettleton at first. Texas extended Detroit's losing streak to 10.

### Cardinals Reshuffle the Swooning Phillies, 14-5

Two weeks agn, the Philadelphia Phillies were making a jnke of the NL East race. They're not laughing now.

This is the most embarrassing game I've ever been a part of, and I've been on some very bad teams, and I've been a very, very, very had player before." Darren Daniton said after the Cardinals romped pass the Phillies, 14-5, nn Thursday in St. Louis, Mis-

The Phillies led the division by 11½ games on June 14. But after losing three of four in St. Louis, their lead was cut to 51/2 games over

"I hope they feel like they're in a race," said the Cardinals starter, Boh Tewksbury.

five runs, Bernard Gilkey had his second straight four-hit game and Gregg Jefferies

had three hits and drove in two runs. The Cardinals had their highest-scoring game of the season and won for the 10th time in 12

NL ROUNDUP

Tewksbury won his fifth straight decision. He pitched eight innings and did not walk a batter for his third straight start.

They made it easy for me," Tewksbury id. Those are the games pitchers relish." Curt Schilling, meanwhile, gave up 11 hits

"Heck, yeah. If they don't think we can chase them down, they're doing us a favor."

Brian Jordan hit a grand slam and drove in Brian Jordan hit a grand slam and drove in the has lost his last three starts, allowing 15 earned runs and 26 hits in 12 innings.

Braves 4, Rockies 0: Tom Glavine needed only 93 pitches in a four-hitter in Atlanta hat gave the Braves their second sweep of the season, both against Colorado.

Glavine walked none and struck out two in his second shutout of the season and 12th of his career. Only one Colorado runner The Braves are 7-0 against the Rockies this

Astros & Reds 1: Pete Harnisch stopped Kevin Mitchell's 20-game hitting streak and pitched Houston past the Reds in Cincin-

Harnisch retired Mitchell on a fly ball with

the bases loaded, two outs and the score tied

at I in the fifth inning.
Expos 7, Pirates 5: Rookie Tim Laker fined a three-run double during a six-run third inning that sent Montreal over visiting Pittsburgh. The Pirates lost for the 12th time

in 13 road games.

The Expos overcame a 3-0 deficit in the The Expos overcame a 3-0 dentar in the third on a two-run single by Frank Bolick, an RBI single by Moises Alour and a bases-loaded double by Laker.

Markins 7, Mets 5: Charlie Hough gave up a long home run to Dwight Gooden, but priched Florida past New York, as the Markins 1.

lins averted their first sweep at home. It was Gooden's seventh career home run, breaking the team record for pitchers set by

The air is alive with barnyard smells, a falconry exhibition competes with a sound and light show incoroprating a giant movie screen and there seem to be any number of anmored knights galloping about to the Triumphal March from "Aida."

■ ONCE to Use Revolutionary Bike

gold medal in Barcelona last year is to make a surprise debut in the Tour de France on Satur-

thought to save as much as three seconds per

kilometer, is expected to be ridden in the Tour's

prologue by two time-trial favorites, Alex Zuelle and Eric Breakink of the Spanish ONCE team.

Boardman, a Briton relatively unknown before

A new version of the revolutionary Lotus bike

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### Even Home Isn't Sweet For Tigers

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Coming home didn't make a bit of difference for the Detroit Tigers. If anything, they played worse.

Derroit's losing streak reached
10 games Thursday night when the
Tigers made four errors in an 8-5

#### AL ROUNDUP

loss to the Texas Rangers. John Doberty was tagged for eight runs and 10 hits in four piles manngs.

Detroit, which led the AL East by two games on Jame 22, dropped 4½ games behind first-place Toronto. Detroit has been outscored 80-31

during the slide.
"Being home doesn't solve anything," said the Tigers' manager, Sparky Anderson. "That has nothing to do with anything."

Two seen all of this before," said

Lou Whitaker, a 17-year veteran. "It happens in baseball." "We just need to win a game," he added. "Two weeks ago, we were the kings of the hill, and we were

winning every series. Now, we can't even win a single game." Detroit's Cecil Fielder hit a 440foot, two-run homer in the third, his 20th home run of the season.

Athletics 6, Angels 3: In Oakland, Terry Steinbach homered and drove in four runs as Oakland won its third straight and completed its first sweep this season. The A's moved out of last place in the AL West for the first time since May 29. Mariners 6, Twies 1: Erik Han

son broke a six-game losing streak, scattering eight hits in the Metro-dome as he won for the first time since May 8, beating the Twins in

Willie Banks, George Tsamis and Carl Willis combined to give up five runs in the eighth. Orioles 1, White Sox 9: In Chi-

cago, Baltimore's Jamie Moyer won his lourth consecutive game, ontpitching Jack McDowell, who lost despite throwing a three-hitter for his sixth complete game.

### **■ Canseco Out for Season**

The Texas Rangers slugger Jose Canseco said Thursday that a torn elbow ligament would end his season and might hamper his career, The AP reported from Binning-Canseco said an orthopedic ex-

amination confirmed that he had a tear in his right elbow, likely related to a brief pitching appearance in May. But the right fielder said be wanted to weigh the pros and cons" a day or two before deciding whether to have surgery. Canseco, being paid \$4.1 million this year, said the minimum recov-

ery time for such an injury is six months to a year. He is guaranteed \$4.4 million for 1994 and \$5.1 miltion for 1995. · He said there was no guarantee

that the injury would heal even with an operation. Asked whether his career may be over, the former Oakland Athletics star said, "Any-

thing can happen."

Canseco pitched an inning on
May 29 at Boston in a 15-I Texas loss. He said he felt a sharp pain on his second pitch but threw 31 more, allowing two hits and three runs, and walking three.

### Indurain: A Serene Champion's Calm Before the Tour de France Storm First comes Saturday's prologue, a 6.8-kilometer dash around Le Pay du Fou, which bills itself as the globe's first historical and ecological park.

By Samuel Abt nal Herald Tribune

LE PUY DU FOU, France - The word for Miguel Indurain is "screne."

Loose and smiling, Indurain glows with confidence as he sets out Saturday to try to win his third successive Tout de France bicycle race. "I really believe that the only person who can defeat me is myself," he said this week, and there is no evidence to dispute him.

Professional bicycle racing, however, is a sport in which the ability to bluff can be vital. On those rare mornings when a star rider's legs feel like cotton or, worse, lead, the thing to do is put on a smile and attack, hoping to be caught quickly while sending the false message that all is well Opponents are usually bluffed out of launching

an attack themselves. Indurain, a 29-year-old Spaniard with nine Tours de France behind him, knows this tactic as well as anybody does.

Still, when he said at a news conference Friday that he was "in good form," that he was confident and that confidence in the Tour de France was just as important as strong legs, unbody

believed he was bluffing. He is becoming what Eddy Merckx was to most of the 1970s and Bernard Hinault was to

most of the 1980s; the dominant rider, the man who leaves his name attached to the era. Greg LeMand, who will miss this Tour de France because of a mysterious allergy and even more mysterious loss of climbing ability, came close to the same standing but never made it because his three Tour victories were followed by three years of decline that coincided with Indurain's rise.

LeMond, who just turned 32, will almost certainly never win five Tours, as only Merckx, Hinault and Jacques Anquetil have done since the race began in 1903. Almost certainly, Indur-ain has a chance in match them, even if he does play down the possibility.
"Let me win a third Tour and then we'll see

about a fourth and fifth," he says placidly. He has always been placed, sometimes to the

point of torpor, but never as serene in the certainty of his power, experience and standing. Ranked a distant first in the computerized standings of the world's top 800 professional racers. Indurain enters the race with victories in the last two Tours de France and the last two Giros d'Italia, the sport's major stage, or multiday, races.

And, he says, he is stronger now than when he first won the Tour in 1991. Mostly, I know what I can do, exactly how far I can go," he said.
"That's what experience does for you."

his homeland, demonstrated exactly what experience does for him in a Spanish tune-up race, the Tour of the Mining Regions, last month. Holding the lead on the next-to-last day, he weakened and was left far behind during the final climb.

No panic, no problem, as there might have been for a less secure racer. In the heat of battle, he explained later, he forgot to eat enough to fuel his 6-foot-2-inch, (1.88-meter) 176-pound (80-kilogram) frame, "It's a good lesson," he added. "I always thought it couldn't happen to me. It won't happen again." The next day he won the stage, dashing any hope that his weakness had been due to form, not hunger.

championships last Sunday, he finished second. beaten by just seven seconds as he sought to retain his title. Once again Indurain showed that he had left

nothing behind at the Giro, a three-week race that he won hy nearly a minute. He admitted later that he had not entered or finished the Italian race at the very top of his condition, preferring to peak in the Tour de France.

But he impressed his rivals, most of whom will be here. One of them, Andy Hampsten, an Amer-

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ican with the Motorola team, offered this analysis of Indurain in Italy, "Even when he got in trouble on a hard climb on the next-to-last stage of the Giro, he didn't crack, he didn't crumble, he never fell apart." That's called experience. Is Indurain unbeatable?

"I don't see him as unbeatable in the Tour de France," Hampsten said, "but I think he's the strongest man here. And there are a lot of strong riders here." He ticked off other Indurain strengths: "In the

Giro, like always, he was just where he needed to

be. He also knows how to use his time when he has an advantage. Let him take the lead and you're in trouble." That's called experience, too. seriously than he took the Giro. There, he said,

he inspected only one stage beforehand, "I rode from day to day," he told the French magazine Vélo. "That was good enough for me." For the Tour de France, on the other hand, he

has explored every climb in the Alps and Pyrenees. "I know it by heart, not every town obvi-ously, hut every stage." The Tour will cover 3,270 kilometers (2,311 miles) as it wends its way clockwise around France, Andorra and a dab of Spain before finishing July 25 in Paris.

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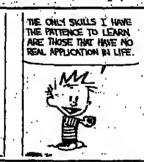
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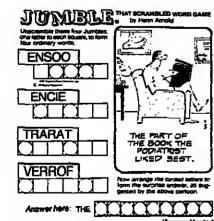
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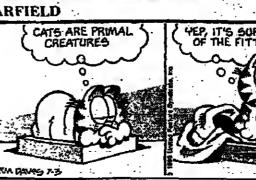
















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## SPORTS WIMBLEDON

## Sampras Crushes Becker and Courier Ousts Edberg to Reach Final



Jim Courier charged into his first Wimbledon final Friday, beating Stefan Edberg, the second seed. cused of directing foul language at the chair umpire, until the

### World's Top 2 Set Up First All-U.S. Wimbledon Title Match Since '84

By Ian Thomsen International Revold Tribune

WIMBLEDON - It is becoming obvious that Andre Agassi changed Wimbledon in ways from which it won't soon recover. He enjoyed his victory party on Centre Court so much last year that now his friends are refusing to leave.

With the top four seeds surviving for the first time since 1927, Pete Sampras and Jim Courier wandered into their first semifinals here Friday and humiliated the Wimbledon royalty. When the three-time champion and No. 4 seed Boris Becker looked down his nose and requested that Sampras leave the grounds immediately, the No. 1 American up and threw him out of the tournament, by a score of 7-6 (7-5), 6-4, 6-4. Then came Stefan Edberg, the No. 2 seed and winner in 1988 and 1990, who tried to explain politely to his American opponent that this tournament is played on grass and therefore Courier was not welcome. The third-seeded Courier nodded and used his racket like a baseball bat on Edberg. Perhaps those Americans in the audience will recall the vigilante justice movie, "Walking Tall." It was kind of like that. The score on Edberg's gravestone reads 4-6, 6-4, 6-2, 6-

"We're not finished yet, Boris and I - we'll be back." warned Edberg.

On Saturday, Steffi Graf, the women's No. 1, will try to win her third successive Wimbledon title and fifth overall, opposed by the eighth-seeded Czech, Jana Novotna. This will distract attention while the All England Club braces for July 4 and its first all American men's final since 1984, when No. 2 Jimmy Connors outshouted No. 1 John McEnroe in straight sets.

Sampras has the chance to win his second Grand Slam title, which would end his drought since his breakthrough U.S. Open victory of 1990. A victory also would validate his

"I don't know how I'm going to feel," Sampras said. "I haven't been in this situation before."

Though No. 2-ranked Courier can't overtake Sampras in the rankings on Sunday, an upset will get the paperwork started. He can also achieve a title that few — perhaps himself included - thought he could ever win; that is, until Agassi won playing from the baseline last year. By winning Wimbledon, Courier would lack only the U.S. Open crown in his quest to become the first man since Rod Laver to win all four Grand Slam titles.

Last week, Courier was momentarily defaulted during his third-round match against Jason Stoltenberg. He was acreprieve, he had never proved himself capable of beating anyone ranked higher than No. 15 at Wimbledon (against

Karel Novacek in 1991). "I thought I would be playing golf tomorrow afternoon," Courier said. "I didn't expect to he here, so it's all a bonus for

For more than a set, Edberg was covering his side of the court as if the grass was noe and he wore skates. He was graceful, and, more important, he was ahead by a set and one break up in the second. Across the net was this guy in a baseball cap, whose strategy appeared to be to chase the ball everywhere and hit it hard. He looked like he was trying to fix a leaky roof before the furniture was ruined. But Courier, with four Grand Slam titles in hand at 22, has fixed a lot of

In the eighth game of the opening set, Counier appeared to learn something. A pair of Edberg double-faults engaged them in a persistent deuce, and from the ad court Courier found time to work on his backhand return. The first attempt was well wide crosscourt; the second was closer.
"One more," be mouthed to himself, and the next time from that side he bashed the same return for a winner to break

A similar shot broke Edberg again to give Courier the second set, and as Edberg maneuvered to avoid those re-turns. Courier began winning more points with forehand returns down both lines. He defeated Edberg's second serve more than two-thirds of the time, and the strain crystallized when the Swede netted an easy backhand volley and a short forehand on serve in the final game of the third set. By the fourth set, Courier appeared as comfortable as he ever did at Roland Garros, wiping his face with his wristbands, adjusting his cap, picking the strings of his racket.

It finally crumbled for Edberg when his crucial ace was negated by a foot-fault, his habitual bane. He went onto

double-fault, giving Courier three match points. He held off

#### Friday's Results

MEN'S SINGLES, SEMIFINAL
Pete Sampras (1), U.S., def. Boris Becker (4), Germany, 7-6 (7-5), 6-4, 6-4; Jim Courier (3), U.S., def. Stefan Edberg (2),

MIXED DOUBLES, QUARTERFINAL Mark Kratzmann (2), Australia, and Natalia Zvereva, Belarus, def. Grant Connell (11), Canada, and Robin White, U.S., 3-6, 7-6 (7-5), 13-11.

Germans Move

DRESDEN - The venue

for a soccer match on Satur-

day between Dynamo Dres-

den and Israel has been moved

from Dresden due to concern

that rightists were planning vi-

olence at the game, the police and soccer officials said.

The match is now provisionally to be played in Markkleo-

There was a request to re

locate the match to a site with

better conditions," said a spokesman for the German

Soccer Federation. He de-

clined to give details but said

the field in Markkleeberg was

protected by fencing. The relo-cation "was made due to secu-

Leipzig police said violence

was also possible in Markklee-

berg, so they were considering

Authorities from the federal

group that monitors political

extremism said rightist leaders

had urged radicals to provoke

disturbances at the game.

rity reasons," he added.

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berg, near Leipzig.

Israel Match

tournament referee Alan Mills ruled the incident a misun-derstanding and allowed Courier to continue. Even with that crunched by Courier down the line.

This was proceeded by the more glamorous matchup of Sampras and the reigning people's champion, Becker. It turned out to be less entertaining than the new Arnold Schwarzenegger movie. If it had been a football game, it would have been played in the dead of December in Green

It was like a scoreless draw until the 48th minute, when Becker netted a backhand volley at his knees in the seventh point of the tiebreaker. It was the first break, and Sampras held it to win the opening set. At which point, Becker broke

"I was putting a lot of pressure on Boris's second serve," Sampras said. "When the moment came he got I think Sampras said. "When the moment came he got I think maybe a little bit tight and hit some big double faults."

"I think the problem was my legs," Becker said. "They were not as strong as they were in the past couple of matches, and that's why I served so many double faults."

Becker wondered whether his 4 hour, 20-minnte quarterfinal against Michael Such on Wednesday had undone him. On the court against Sampras he had no other answers

On the court against Sampras, he had no other answers. Three double-faults awarded Sampras an irreversible break in the third game of the second set. In that period Becker missed 15 consecutive first-serves, including four double faults. Conversely, he could not touch Sampras's serve. In desperation he began to argue calls with the umpire, a reversal of his calm over the previous five rounds.

Sampras, meanwhile, was experiencing none of the shoul-der problems that threatened his withdrawal from the tournament two weeks ago. This affliction should he broadened to include slumped shoulders, which had allowed Agassi to recover temporarily from a two-set deficit in their quartertinal. When Becker earned two break points to draw even in the second set, Sampras merely volleyed his way to deuce and then served out the set.

Immediately Becker responded with a pair of double-faults—he had 12 overall—to give Sampras a break in the opening game of the third set. The German fell into his chair and stared at the ground while all around his fans mumbled

as if they had heard Pavarotti belch.
When the mild-mannered Sampras had succeeded in turning away two break points in the final game, he raised his arms in what for him is the equivalent of actress Sally Field's "you love me, you really love me" Oscar acceptance speech.

Then he wheeled and knocked a ball into the stands — into the Royal Box. Princess Michael of Kent forgot who she was for a moment and made a humbling stab at it. Maybe Sunday she ought to bring a baseball glove.

### Muted Croatia Plays in Shadow of Death and War

By Christopher Clarey

pecial to the Herald Tribune MUNICH — The stretch of highway looked like any other stretch of highway, except for one thing: the bright, new section of guardrail.

It was there - less than an hour's drive north - that the Croatians laid down their flowers and lit their candles. It was there that be left us," said Dino Radja.

This has been a muted edition of the European basketball championships. The continent's few major stars either have been ruled out by sanctions (Yugoslavia's Vlade Divac), been left out because of their team's climination in preliminaries (Lithuama's Arvidas Sabonis) or have pulled out with 'inju-ries," — the post-Olympic blahs (Germany's Detlef Schrempf, Ukraine's Alex kov and Croatia's Toni Kukoc).

But the absence that weighs most heavily on the normally festive Bavarian capital is that of Drazen Petrovic, the 28-year-old Croatian and New Jersey Net who on June 7 was killed in an automobile accident on that mundane stretch of German road.

"I keep waiting for Drazen to knock on my hotel room door, and tell me it is all a bad joke," said Croatia's center, Stojan Vrankovic, who had been trying to convince Petrovic to play with him next season in Greece and who injured his hand after lashing out in anger at the news of his friend's death.

with his girlfriend, Clara, at the wheel, on the way back from Breslau, Poland, where the Croatians had been upset by Slovenia in the final of the special European qualifying tour-nament. Initially, it seemed that his teammates — already handicapped by a lack of practices together — might be unable to regain their bearings. After a one-week break for Petrovic's funeral in Zagreb, the team flew to Montpellier, France, where it ended up losing in lackluster fashion to Italy in the final of the Meditteranean Games.

Aza Petrovic, Drazen's older brother, was watching that game on television in Zagreb. Because of Drazen's death, he had decided not to stay on as assistant coach for the national team during the European championships.
What he saw made him change his mind.

You could see they were at the possible point emotionally," be said. "I decided that I would come back for the championships in Germany because I wanted to help them stop mourning for Drazen and start playing again. I also wanted to help myself. I still can't sleep at night, but at least for four or five bours a day, during practices and games, I can forget."

The Croatians played considerably better in Germany, winning their first seven games to reach the semifinals on Friday night against Russia. But in the end, there was no forgetting that the mainstays of last year's silver-medalwinning Olympic team were missing.

playmaker on offense, the Croatians seldom ics next season. found their stride against the quicker, more cohesive Russians. And though they manged to narrow the gap to 61-60 with just Drizen," said Radja, who spent the last three mider 10 minutes to play, they surrendered seasons in Italy and has averaged 18.8 points far too many three-pointers and transition and seven rebounds in the tournament. baskets down the stretch, falling 84-76.

As a result, the five Croatian players who were on the roster of the Yugoslavian team that won the 1991 European Championship will be reduced to playing for third place on Saturday night against either Greece or Ger-many, who were playing later Friday.

The good news for the Croatians is that they already have assured themselves a spot in next year's World Championships in To-

whole system," said Coach Mirko Novosel. "Drazen was not only a great scorer but a great passer. Without him, we have had to spread his tasks out to other players with less ability. It's the same with Toni. With our whole team, we should win this champion- life giving everything he had to it. And now ship without any problem, especially because Lithuania is not here. But this is no longer

Instead, the Croatians were test to tary to two dangerous outside shooters. Danko Cyjeticanin and Velimir Perasovic, and on paying prices of their own.

Those that Petrovic lett beams are supplying prices of their own.

"First, the war, then this accident," Radja Instead, the Croatians were left to rely on the power forward who has reached a tenta- said. "It has been a dark, dark time."

Lacking rhythm, and above all, a true tive agreement to play with the Boston Celt-

people fighting on the front lines and for Drozen," said Radja, who spent the last three and seven rebounds in the tournament.
"Drazen and I used to talk every week on the telephone. He wanted to know everything about the Italian League. I wanted to know everything about the NBA, and he really encouraged me to make the move. I still can't

believe he's gone." Perhaps that belos explain why Radia and his teammates arranged on Wednesday to drive their bus north from Munich and pay a different sort of final tribute. After 80 kilo meters (50 miles), they arrived at the scene of the accident and discovered that someone already had laid flowers along the roadside.

"It's sad and bizarre," said Mihovil Nakic-Vojoovic, the secretary-general of the Croatian basketball federation, who also made the pilgrimage. "Drazen was a guy who loved basketball so much. He spent all his young when he finally decides to take a little time for his private life and drive home with his girlfriend, be ends up paying the ultimate

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#### **SIDELINES** Fearing Unrest,

#### Olazabal Leads Irish Golf by a Shot

MOUNT JULIET, Ireland (AFP) --- José-Maria Ólazabal shot a 67 on Friday to take the second-round lead from John McHenry in the Irish Open on Friday.

McHenry, an Irishman had led by three but bogeyed the 16th and 18th holes. That dropped him back into a share of second place with Bernhard Langer (69) and Per-Ulrik Johansson (68) on seven under, one behind Olazabal. Two shots back Marc Farry and Olle Karlsson, while Nick Faldo was three strokes behind with Steve Richardson, Santiago Luna and Joakim Haeggman. The overnight leader, Brian Marchbank, fell back to two under with a 76.

#### First at Henley: A Woman Winner

HENLEY-ON-THAMES, England (AP) — Trine Hansen, a 20-year-old Danish student, on Friday became the first women's winner in the 154-year history of the Henley Royal Regatta. Hansen beat England's Alison Hall by four lengths in eight minutes, 45 seconds in Friday's single scalls event. It was the first time that the world's oldest rowing event had allowed women to compete. Later, Olympic champion Elisabeta Lipa defeated local sculler Guin

Batten by a verdict of "easily" over the 1.3-mile (2.2-kilometer) course in the Thames River. "All the rest of the world has men and women rowing together, so it is nice that at last Henley has caught up," Lipa said.

#### For the Record

Ayrton Senna of Brazil, the three-time Formula One world champion, said Friday that he had agreed to race for McLaren-Ford until the end of

the season, ending a race-by-race arrangement. (AFP)

The signing of a multimillion-dollar deal under which the National Hockey League would have compensated Russian clubs for an exodus of top players has been halted by an attorney for the Russians, Robert Cherenkov, president of the former Soviet hockey league, said. He did not

New York Times, edited by Eugene Malesku.

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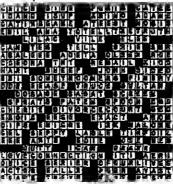
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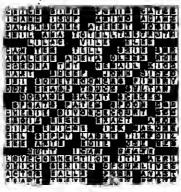
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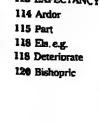
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#### **DAVE BARRY**

### A Serious Moment

MIAMI — It's 6 P. M., and we're waiting for our 12year-old son. Rob, to return from a have to; I have to see what I don't quick bike ride. We're going to go out to dinner to celebrate the fact are gathered on the side of the road that, for the 1,000th consecutive night, we have figured out an ex- blood on her dress, a lot of blood cuse to not cook at home.

We're locking up the house when a young man comes to the door and asks if we have a son. "There's been an accident," he says.

Sometimes I wonder if parenthood is such a good idea, I can remember when there was nobody in my world as important to me as me. Rob changed that. Right at birth. When he came out, looking like a cranky old prune, he didn't cry. Beth, instantly a mom, kept saying, through her haze of labor pain, "Why isn't be crying?" I could see that the doctor was trying to do something with Rnb's mouth. and he was having trouble. I stood there, wearing my goofy bospital outfit, trying to cope with two stag-gering thoughts: First, I had a child — I HAD A CHILD — and second, MAYBE MY CHILD WAS

IN TROUBLE. That was the most sickeningly vulnerable feeling I'd ever felt. It turned out he was O. K. - just

a little blockage. The doctor gave him back to us, and we quickly became traditional first-time parents, wrapped in a woozy cocoon of joy and exhaustion, taking a genu-ine intellectual interest in poop, marveling at the thrill we felt, the CONNECTION, when our son's

tiny hand squeezed our fingers. But the feeling of vulnerability didn't go away. It only got worse, always lurking inside, forcing me to accept that I wasn't in control anymore, not when I knew my universe could be trashed at any moment because of unpredictable, uncontrollable developments. I can remember every detail of the time when, at 10 months, he got a bad fever, 106 degrees, and I carried him into the hospital, thinking I CAN'T TAKE THIS. PLEASE. LET ME BE ABLE TO STOP THIS, PLEASE, GIVE ME THIS FEVER, TAKE IT OUT OF THIS LITTLE BOY AND PUT IT IN

But you can't do that. You have to watch it happen to your child, and it never gets any easier, does it?

AND I'm driving too fast, but I want to see. Up ahead some people and a woman is kneeling - she has and lying in front of her, on his back, his face covered with blood,

"Oh God," says Beth. "Oh

Now I'm opening the door, stumbling out of the car toward Rob. He's moving his right hand. HE'S WAVING AT ME. He's giving me a weak, hloody smile, trying to reassure me, "It's my fault," he's saying. "I'm sorry. It's my fault." "It's O. K.!" I'm saying. "It's

PLEASE LET IT BE O. K. "I'm sorry," the bloody-dress woman is saying. "I'm so sorry." She was driving the car that collid-ed with Rnb. He went through the windshield, then was thrown back out onto the road, 40 feet, according to the ambulance guys.

"This is my worst nightmare,"

the woman is saying.
"I'm sorry," Rob is saying.
"It's O. K.!" I'm saying. "You're going to be O. K.!\*
PLEASE.

He was O. K. A hroken leg, SOME skin scraped off, a lot of stitches, but nothing that won't heal. He'll be getting out of his cast in a couple of mnnths, getting on with his ever-busier life, his friends, his school, his stuff; he'll be growing higger, moving faster, this hright comet-boy who streaked into my universe 12 years ago and is already starting to arc his way hack out, farther from me, from my

control, from my sight. But that little hand will oever let

go of my finger.
I'm sorry. This was supposed to be a hilarious column about how Beth and I were getting ready to go out for a nice dinner at 6 P. M. and wound up eating lukewarm cheese-hurgers at 11 P. M. on a table in the emergency room; and how Rob, after politely thanking a very nice nurse for helping him sit up, threw up on her, and other comical events. But this is how the column turned out. Next week I promise to return to Booger Journalism.

Knight-Ridder Newspapers

## Mystical, Minimalist and Very Popular

By John Rockwell New York Times Service

B ERLIN—The astonishing success of the Elektra Nonesuch recording of Henryk Mikolaj Gorecki's Third Symphony has thrust that diffident, rather puzzled Polish composer into the limelight. The recording has been No. I for most of this year on the British and American classical sales charts, and for a time it was No. 6 on the British pop chart as well, outselling every sort of teen idol.

Gorecki's "Symphony of Sorrowful Songs," as it is subtitled, consists of an prano solo - hardly a likely candidate for the pop charts. Yet the affecting emotions of the words and singing, and the shining affirmation of Gorecki's instrumental writing, have won mass approval, even as they

mercial success is a sign of capitulation. But Gorecki is hardly alnne in being a composer who both writes serious music and wins genuine enthusiasm from wide audiences. Now, the public is welcoming a group of East European composers who can be gathered under the rubric "mystical Minimalists." These men and women creare pure and soaring sound-worlds, using materials based on folk music or hymns and building them to solemn grandeur, often through simple repetitive means. They traffic in the reductionist methods

of such Americans as Steve Reich and Philip Glass, if hardly in their bustling urban energy and amplitude. Their very individuality makes them resistant to any noting of a school in the organized sense. But their sense of alienation from mainstream 20th-century modernism, their mutual respect and similarities of style make

it easy to group them. The composers include Sofia Gubaidulina of Russia, Giya Kancheli nf Georgia and the late Andrzej Panufnik of Poland (though he was long a resident of Britain). Other than Gorecki, the most prominent by far is the Estonian Arvo Part, whn is the beneficiary of his own kind of cult sales success on ECM, a record label almost as hip as Nnnesuch.

His music offers an overt spirituality akin to Gorecki's folkish faith — above all his "Passio," or "St. Jnhn Passion," a chantlike, ethereally pure setting of the

loterviewed recently in their home cities - Gorecki in a hotel café in the grim industrial city of Katowice, near Auschwitz; Part in his leafy suburban home in southern Berlin, where he has lived for 12 years — the two revealed differences in attitude and outlook that are easy to enumerate, for all their underlying kinship. Musically, Part has become an ever



Henryk Gorecki: His Third Symphony reached No. 6 on the British pop chart.

more austere formalist, purifying his materials into a rigorous yet childlike adoration of God. Gorecki is more stylistically fluid, ranging from a hrilliant, even harsb idiom that recalls the late Olivier Messiaen to the songful, flowing, folk-flavored meditations that made his Third Symphony

(composed 17 years ago) so popular.

The two are also of the same generation. (Gorecki is 59, Part 57.) Both dealt in harsher forms of modernism in their youth;

hoth began to evolve toward their current styles two decades ago, and both feel a

certain oostalgia for the lonely purity of their lives as outsiders under commun Gorecki, who retains an almost peasantlike personal simplicity, remains rooted in his native soil and in the folk music of the uearby Tatra Mountains. Part, who has the gentle authority of an academic, seems serenely content to be cosmopolitan, albe-

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When asked whether there were traces of Estonian folk music in his scores, Part replied: "I don't know of any. Spiritual matters have no borders. When borders begin, music becomes more and more empty." He is equally guarded about comm

on the religious elements in his music: "For

Bach, every piece that he wrote was praise of God, but I'm not worthy to say that." The folk tradition remains paramount for Gorecki, but it's as much a connection to an entire culture as a strictly musical influence. "In every piece of mine, there is something of the Tatra Mountains," he said. "I need them like a fish needs water, like a man needs air. The folk music is still alive, right up to today. It's not just in my ear, it's in my blood. And it's not just the music, but the crafts, the buildings, the paintings, the glassworks, the clothing. Every day I'm not in Chocholow -

favorite Tatra village — "is a lost day."

Gorecki has had three years' worth of lost days, since he has been unable to rent the house he had regularly occupied in Chocholow. When it was pointed out that his Third Symphony royalties might allow him to buy a better house, he looked forlorn, muttered about using real estate prices and then reconfirmed his ties to

gray, grimy Katowice, the heart of Poland's polluted Silesia district.

"I have to stay here," he said. "I had a thousand opportunities to move to Paris, Italy, Germany. But I always said, if everybody moved out of Poland, what would remain? And I always asked myself whether my music would sound the same without these trees, clouds, houses.

"So I taught at the conservatory, although my son now is my only student, and my wife teaches piano. When you're young, you can move. Now there are medireasons to stay. Every year you get older, and every year you rely more on

other people."
Both composers managed to lead functional lives under communism, even if their quirkiness made them unsuitable as approved Soviet spokesmen.

Part worked for the state radio in Estonia and wrote film music; Gorech's con-servatory teaching kept food on the table. "Life was hard, but I'm thankful," Part

said. "One had always to be awake then. Perhaps in some sense the development of my music was influenced by politics, but I don't dwell on this at all."

Gorecki regrets what he sees as the mor-al failings of post-Communist Poland. "It makes me unbelievably sad," he said. "I always thought that when we were really free, we'd work for each other, that life would be better. But now, people just want to get money quickly, without work. They doo't care how or with whom, they just want money. One has to work."

THIS WEEKEND AT THE BEACH

**PEOPLE** 

Count of Paris Blocked

From Selling Treasures Henri d'Orléans, the count of Paris and a pretender to France's defunct throne, was banned by a Paris appeals court on Friday from selling off the family treasures. The count, 85, will not be able to go ahead with an auction of furniture, paintings, jewelry and silver with an estimated value of 20 million francs (\$3.63 million) that had been scheduled for Monaco on Saturday. Five of the count's surviving nine children had asked for the anction to be banned and the appeals court ruled that the heirlocens could not be sold without the children's consent. The count's lawyers said they would appeal to a higher court.

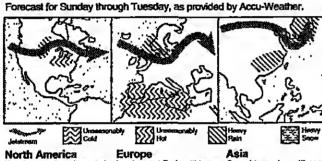
Lawyers for the writer Janet Malcolm and the subject she inter-viewed, the Freudian scholar and psychoanalyst Jeffrey Masson, have both filed for new trials after a federal jury found in San Francisco last month that five quotes attributed to Masson in an article by Malcolm that appeared in The New Yorker were fabricated or distorted, and that Malcolm knew two of them were false. The jury was unable to agree on damages. Masson had sought \$7.5 million.

Unesco Friday named the opera and couture guru, Pierre Berge, a goodwill ambassador in recognition of his work in favor of the organization's ideals and activities. Unesco has more than 20 such ambassadors, whose titles, a spokes-man said, are purely honorific. Berge is president of the Paris Opera and of the Yves Saint Laurest fashion house.

Jasper, the infant son of the award-winning film director Jane Campion, has died 12 days after birth. The New Zealand-born Campion's latest movie "The Piano" won the Golden Palm award at the Cannes Film Festival in May, the first female director to receive the honor. There was no mention of the cause of death in a statement in Sydney made by Campion's press agent.

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